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WU PEI-FU.

MAY MAKE INFLUENCE FELT.

POLITICAL TRENDS.

The Nationalists' Half a Dozen Military Leaders.

FORECAST OF FIFTH PLENARY SESSION.

[By "Li Chung-yin."]

Insignificant though he may now appear in the Chinese political arena, Wu Pei-fu, who as one of the four Marshals of a few years ago commanded large numbers of troops, may yet exercise considerable influence on the trend of developments during the next few months.

Much depends on the preliminary negotiations between the half dozen or so military men of prominence in the Nationalist Party, prior to the opening of the "official" fifth plenary session of the Party's executive in Nanking. As yet there is no indication that any date for the conference will be strictly adhered to. Two courses are open.

The first is that the four main camps will come to an understanding which need only be formally ratified at Nanking.

The second is that the factions will disagree and, possibly after some delay, Marshal Chiang Kai-shek will attempt to force an issue and carry through his programme in the face of passive but nevertheless virile opposition as he did at the fourth plenary session.

CHIANG AND FORCEFUL TACTICS.

From an American source, it was learned this week that ex-Marshall Wu Pei-fu is not dead. Rather, he is believed to have come out of retirement and placed himself at the head of a force variously estimated up to 200,000 strong, posted along the Upper Yangtze River, near the provincial boundary between Hupeh and Szechuan.

Later on Reuter reported the holding-up at Shanghai of a German steamer with arms and ammunition destined for General Liu Hsiang.

As has been hinted in the "China Mail," these two messages have some connected bearing on the situation.

General Liu Hsiang is holding the centre of Szechuan against General Yang Sen. Yang Sen has been checked in his own interests, it will pay him to bring Wu Pei-fu out if only because of his prestige. On the other hand, Liu Hsiang is a protégé of the Nationalists. To assist him in preserving the balance of power in the Far West of China Proper, the Nationalists released his shipment of arms.

KWANGSI BIG FOUR.

Wu Pei-fu, or Yang Sen, by whichever name this faction is

called, is therefore in a position between Liu Hsiang and Hupeh. Now Hupeh is governed from Hankow and is a part of the domains of the Big Four of the Kwangsi Group in the Nationalist Party. The Big Four are:

General Li Tsung-jen, who went from Hankow to Peking; General Pei Chung-hsi, who is either at Peking or Hankow; General Wong Shiu-hung of Kwangsi.

Governing the four provinces of Kwangtung, Kwangsi, Hunan and Hupeh and, at the same time, keeping other Nationalist groups at arm's length, is engaging the full attention of the Kwangsi leaders. It is unlikely, therefore, that they will send reinforcements to Wu Pei-fu. But being Wu Pei-fu's neighbours, they may give him friendship and indirect assistance which may enable him to secure a jumping-off ground by conquering Szechuan.

SOURCE OF TROUBLE.

The attitude of Nanking in particular and other centres of Nationalism towards the Kwangsi Group can force the hand of Wu Pei-fu's neighbours at Hankow.

It is known that Marshal Li Chai-sum would not have left Canton to seek Marshal Chiang Kai-shek at Peking unless it was imperative that he should do so.

BANDITS ACTIVE IN YUNNAN.

TIN MINE CARAVANS

DANGER OF BEING CUT OFF IN MOUNTAINS.

MISSIONARIES DELAYED.

Yunnanfu, July 10.

Conditions in Yunnan are still far from what might be desired owing chiefly to bandits who still render travelling a very precarious undertaking. A noted bandit leader, Mou Pu, has been busy at Mengtze and troops have been sent down to deal with him. Mengtze is a very important centre on a branch railway about 120 miles to the south-east of Yunnanfu and considerable traffic passes through the district in connection with the tin mines so that caravans on the route covered by this brigand's followers offer rich spoil.

The Taoyin at Mengtze is Chiang Ying-shu who comes from Lian and he states that it is one of his special duties to suppress brigandage but as his soldiers do not appear to be under very rigid discipline, Mengtze is no better off than before his arrival.

Mou Pu's men are reported to be at Lian, which is north-west of Mengtze. Their proximity to the railway is a rather disturbing feature, as the line is easily cut in the mountainous districts.

Missionaries. Other main routes, such as that to Taiifu in the west and Chao-tung in the north, are still infested by bandits. The authorities feel unable to allow missionaries to travel on those routes, even with a military escort. There are about a dozen missionaries who are anxiously waiting for the opportunity to start for their stations and most of them have been waiting for months.

The trouble seems to be lack of authority, for it certainly is not lack of soldiers, of whom there are far too many.

Officials. General Lung Yen (head of the Yunnan Government) is suffering from eye trouble and is under treatment by a specialist. Mr. Chang Wei-han, the ex-Mayor of Yunnan, has been appointed by mandate from Nanking as Minister of Foreign Affairs and if he carries out his duties as well as he did when Mayor, there will be every cause for thankfulness.

Mr. Ma-Chen takes over the office from Mr. Chang as Mayor. Mr. Chang Pang-han, who has been acting as Minister of Foreign Affairs, takes up the post of Chief of the Department of Reconstruction.

Celebrations. On July 4, the Americans celebrated Independence Day. There was a reception at the American Consulate, at which a very representative gathering assembled and the usual toast was drunk at midday. A new feature was introduced by the presence of ladies, which was appreciated by all present.

The American community gave a tea dance at the Club. Our own correspondent.

wishes to comply, the provincial administration cannot do so at the moment owing to the urgency of local problems.

If Wu Pei-fu fails to materialise soon, the alternative is for both sides, in the event of there being no agreement, to wait for a favourable opportunity.

Feng Yu-hsiang, the "Christian General," is ever a potential factor. He is still, literally, breathing brimstone and fire, as witness the report of his plan to attack the defeated Northerners at Jehol. His personal interests are confined to North China; but his province of Honan adjoins Hupeh, which is a part of the territory under the Kwangsi Group. In short, it can be said that he holds the whip-hand in preventing a quarrel or, alternatively, in forcing a compromise, between Chiang Kai-shek and the Kwangsi Group.

Even though he is occupying Peking and a part of Chihli province, General Yen Hsi-shan of Shanxi is slowly receding into the political background. His intentions are now fairly plain. He is concentrating on retaining his own province of Shanxi and maintaining his mastery policy of inactivity in relation with other groups—inactivity because non-entanglement has been profitable in the past.

HAYNES FAILS TO APPEAR.

DRIVING CHARGE.

TRADE PROTECTION SHROFFS IN COURT.

CASE ADJOURNED.

When the name "Leslie Ernest Haynes" was called at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning there was no reply.

Haynes should have appeared as defendant to answer a charge of dangerous driving. A number of shroffs who were engaged by the South China Trade Protection Association were in court.

Inspector James, in reply to the Magistrate (Mr. Schofield) said he did not think any of the shroffs were prepared to represent Haynes.

Eventually His Worship adjourned the case sine die.

At the instance of Sub-Inspector James, Haynes was summoned for driving his motor car, No. 234, along Salisbury-road in a dangerous manner on June 22 at about 1.35 p.m.

At the first two hearings defendant conducted his own case before Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy. The previous hearing was on Saturday last.

LONDON'S POLICE.

EFFECT OF TRIBUNAL'S MAJORITY REPORT.

"JIX'S" STATEMENT.

London, Yesterday. Sir William Joynson Hicks, Home Secretary, stated during the debate (in the House of Commons) that the Government was bound to accept the findings of the Majority Report.

Some Shower.

East winds, moderate, fair to showery, is the official weather forecast until noon to-morrow. Pressure is unusually high to the north of Japan.

The depression is now central to the South-east of Haiphong, moving westward.

cept the findings of the Majority Report. But he had decided to appoint a Royal Commission to which every point raised in the Minority Report would be fully referred.

Meanwhile, he had given instructions amending police procedure in the way suggested in the Majority Report.

The Majority Report was accepted by 211 votes to 63.—British Wireless Service.

ZUIDER ZEE SWIM.

YOUNG DUTCH GIRLS FEAT.

Amsterdam, Yesterday. A young Dutch girl, Miss Leilbrand, swam the Zuider Zee from Stavoren to Enkhuizen in ten and a half hours. It is estimated she covered about 22 miles.

APPOINTMENTS.

EXECUTIVE AND LEGISLATIVE COUNCILS.

H.K.V.D.C. PROMOTIONS.

H.M. the King has approved of the following appointments to both the Executive and Legislative Councils of the Colony:

The Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North, official member, while he is acting as Secretary of Chinese Affairs, as from March 27.

The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, unofficial member, in place of Mr. D. G. M. Bernard who resigned on leaving the Colony, with effect from April 8. (Note: Mr. Shenton proceeded on Home leave shortly after his appointment.)

The Volunteers. Promotions in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps announced in the "Government Gazette" are as follows:

To be Captain.
Lt. R. R. Davies, M.C., M.M., from July 11.

To be Lieutenant.
2nd Lt. H. Owen Hughes from July 4.
2nd Lt. N. L. H. Raiton from July 5.
2nd Lt. A. A. Mackenzie from July 6.
2nd Lt. S. Jarvis, M.C., from July 7.
2nd Lt. G. Duncan, M.B.E., from July 8.

RUSSELL MAKES TWO CENTURIES.

BUT ON LOSING SIDE.

VAGARIES OF COUNTY CRICKET RESULTS.

KENT CHECKED.

Scores of over 400 runs were fairly common in the first-class cricket matches which ended at Home yesterday.

Centuries were plentiful and A. C. Russell, the Essex professional, had the satisfaction of making one in each innings against Lancashire, but he was on the losing side. This is not the first time he has performed the feat. He achieved fame by bringing off the double in a Test Match in South Africa and he has also represented England against Australia.

For individual performances, however, the two days' play between Worcester and the West Indians stands out. Gibbons made 200 not out for the home team, the highest score of the matches concluded yesterday. Two of his team mates also ran into three figures as did one of his opponents.

Kent, the leaders in the county championship, were held up at Birmingham, although they scored 484 runs. On the other hand, 393 runs by Notts was sufficient to give them an innings' victory.

Hobbs did not play for the Players who, however, triumphed over the Gentlemen; but the Surrey man made a century for his County all the same.

THE LORD'S MATCH.

London, Yesterday.

At Lord's the Players beat the Gentlemen by nine wickets. Scores:—

Players 423 runs and 112 runs for 1 wicket.
Gentlemen 200 runs and (following on) 833 runs.

LANCASHIRE V. ESSEX.

At Liverpool, Lancashire beat Essex by ten wickets. Scores:—

Lancs. 456 runs for 6 wks, dec. (Iddon 112, Hopwood 140) and 56 runs for no wicket.
Essex 233 runs (Russell 131; Macdonald 6 for 55) following on, and, 277 runs (Russell 104; Macdonald 6 for 72).

NORTHANTS V. SURREY.

At Northampton, Northamptonshire lost to Surrey by ten wickets. Scores:—

Northants 302 runs and 239 runs (Bellamy 118).
Surrey 530 runs for 9 wks, dec. (Hobbs 117) and 12 runs for no wicket.

WARWICK V. KENT.

At Birmingham, Warwickshire led Kent on the first innings. Scores:—

Kent 484 runs (J. A. Deed 103; Ames 113) and 100 runs for 2 wks.
Warwick 513 runs (Smith 173).
SOMERSET V. NOTTS.

At Taunton, Somerset lost to Notts by an innings and 12 runs. Scores:—

Somerset 227 runs (Barratt 6 for 65) and 154 runs (Larwood 4 for 28).
Notts 393 runs.

SUSSEX V. GLAMORGAN.

At Eastbourne, Sussex obtained first innings' points from Glamorgan. Scores:—

Sussex 481 runs (K. S. Duleep-sinhji 121, H. Parks 140; Mercer 6 for 78) and 270 runs for 5 wks. (J. Parks 104).
Glamorgan 409 runs (D. Davies 165 not out, Hills 114).

HANTS V. LEICESTER.

At Bournemouth, Hampshire lost to Leicestershire by 205 runs. Scores:—

Leicestershire 235 runs and 363 runs (Armstrong 107).
Hants 180 runs and 213 runs.
WORCESTER V. WEST INDIES.

At Worcester, in a two days' match, Worcestershire drew with the West Indies. Scores:—

IS THAT SO?

Thoughts Terse, Perverse—and Worse

BY THE MAIL MEN.

Life keeps an even keel. We no sooner get rid of a local irritant than an unbreakable gramophone record comes on the market.

Chit-chat from the Tinklers Arms, which opposes women becoming master mariners:—

Capt. "A."—If women become master mariners there would be a better run on paint. I can imagine their going to the bos'n for lipstick.

A Voice.—And I can imagine his reply.

It is nice to read, in these days of wireless cavedropping, that at a dinner given by telephone subscribers to operators, there were "numerous confidential exchanges between hosts and guests."

The girls, it is further stated, were toasted with champagne. They would rather have been the mouthpiece of the toast than the receiver.

To the "Telegraph's" anonymous and elusive Bull writer: Poor stuff. Worthy of the brain that conceived it.

There is a young man of whom it was said in court: "Sheffield has been his downfall. He seems all right away from the city." Quite stainless, in fact.

"As the grunt at the end of the blast is not absolutely necessary, this feature will shortly be eliminated." This refers to a lighthouse foghorn signal off the South Coast, not to a promenade concert.

A bather at North Point saw a snake which he said was two feet long. . . . Now had it been an angler who saw the brute.

The Immaculate Immersion. . . . So far two appearances and two disappearances reported.

Third time lucky?

"King to govern for at least three years." . . . So there may still be a chance for Alfonso and Carol.

Borstal will be shocked to hear that, according to the advertisements, its tie is not stocked in Hong Kong.

Apologies bad paper money circulating in the Colony the best precaution is to check a note or note a cheque.

London is to have no great upheaval of its streets this summer. . . . The Association of Street Gazers is framing a petition of protest, and is considering the advisability of running cheap trips to the Underground excavations in Piccadilly-circus.

Hundreds went on to the Praya last Saturday and braved the rain to see the typhoon. . . . Our hearts of oak?

A member of a Kowloon mess threw a bad apple at the No. 1 boy this week. . . . Must have thought he had just cores.

"I was very pleased to note that the Government have given their consent to the erection of a permanent building," says Spectator in the "S.C.M.P." . . . Is that so?

The degree of immunity of a person from mosquito stings may depend on his or her degree of acidity, a professor tells us. The next time I meet a mosquito I shall give him such an acid look that he will fairly wilt.

According to the Bull columns of last Saturday's "Telegraph," the Leslie mantle has fallen on capable shoulders.

Gentlemen do not expectorate. . . . Others must not.

"A true Scotsman will never take offence at a joke made at his own expense, but, rather, he will enjoy it, and reciprocate with another." . . . But this is very different from saying "have another."

The Public Works Department is being petitioned to cease water rationing. . . . If Mr. Henderson wants a new answer he can say that he is saving up for the next season when tourists come here from a dry country.

Disband the soldiers, the Nationalists cry. . . . Disband the bandits, we say.

A coloured man has been nominated for the Vice-Presidency of the United States. Are we, then, within measurable distance of a Black House?

When you get too many writs from the Summary Court:—Stump up, or stump off.

Top of column headline in "Daily Press" "Nothing New" . . . Why tell everybody?

A new type of open collar on sports shirts is being shown in one of the stores. . . . What-ever necks?

If any more correspondents suggest that Old Trafford, whose hero completed there his 1,000 runs in May, will henceforth be hallowed ground they will be no-balled.

It is not often that either of the Cable Companies are caught napping even in little things, but as a telegram from London, received by us on Monday, was ejaculate—"Is that so?"

In trying to cope with more work these days, washing amahs are wringing the changes.

"Up to his neck in a pond" from the Puisse Judge's Court applies equally now to the Immaculate Immersion if the last word were changed to mud.

A pound strawberries put into a muslin bag and squeezed into the bath water is softening, and has tonic properties.—A health hint.

Why not go further? Drop a pound of cherry stones in the bath, and you will have all the agreeable sensations of bathing at Repulse Bay.

Nationalist optimists, now that they have taken Peking, promise a happier era for China. . . . But it's been a good time coming.

If General Yen Hsi-shan prefers to return home instead of attending the Nanking conference, his Nationalist colleagues Shan-tai him then.

Quite recently a local clergyman gave expression, in print, to the following profound thought: "They who label me, label me," which causes us, once again, involuntarily to say: "Is that so?"

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The man who told the Magistrate that he had got a dud \$10 Hong Kong Bank note for services in Mr. Lee Hysan's funeral evidently forgot to ask for some of that lucky paper money given out on such occasions.

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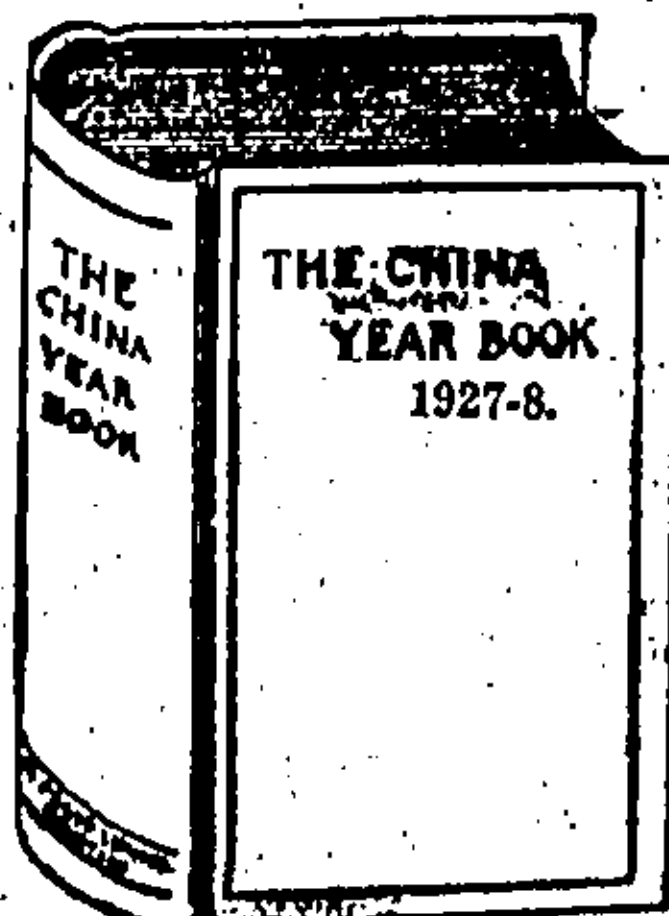
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	Sunrise.	Sunset.
July	a.m.	p.m.
21	5.50	7.09
22	5.50	7.08
23	5.51	7.08
24	5.51	7.07
25	5.51	7.07
26	5.52	7.06
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Major Cyril Seys Ramsay Hill, 11th Hussars (retired), of 41, Sloane-street, Chelsea, S.W., was granted a decree nisi in the Divorce Division against his wife, Edith Mildred Mary Agnes Ramsay Hill, on the ground of her adultery with the Earl of Erroll. The earl was ordered to pay £3,000 damages. The suit was undefended.

Major Ramsay Hill gave evidence, and his one witness was Walter Henry Cockburn, a private inquiry agent, of Bedford-street, London.

Mr. Justice Hill said it was obvious that Lord Erroll was a blackguard, whatever the virtue of the wife.

He was not suggesting she committed any adultery from the time of this marriage in 1924 to the time of taking up with Lord Erroll in Kenya in 1926.

Previous Divorces.

But she was a woman, as Mayor Ramsay Hill well knew, of small virtue, because she had committed adultery with him before their respective divorces.

Therefore he could not treat the case as one of a woman being corrupted for the first time by an adulterer. On the contrary, she was a woman of easy virtue.

It was obvious also that she was a woman of very low character and a liar. That might be largely due to the influence of Lord Erroll.

There were no children to consider. Damages had not to be given by way of punishment. One function of damages was to provide compensation to the husband for the loss of his wife at the hands of the co-respondent. The extent to which the character of the wife contributed towards it was irrelevant.

Husband's Affection.

"I should have thought," added Mr. Justice Hill, "the (husband) was very well rid of a bad woman, but he does not take that view, and it is obvious that he had great affection for her—a very great affection."

While under the influence of Lord Erroll the wife evidently took to very bad courses in Kenya, and ran up large accounts. The husband had to discharge the bills before he left Kenya. He was quite prepared to do that.

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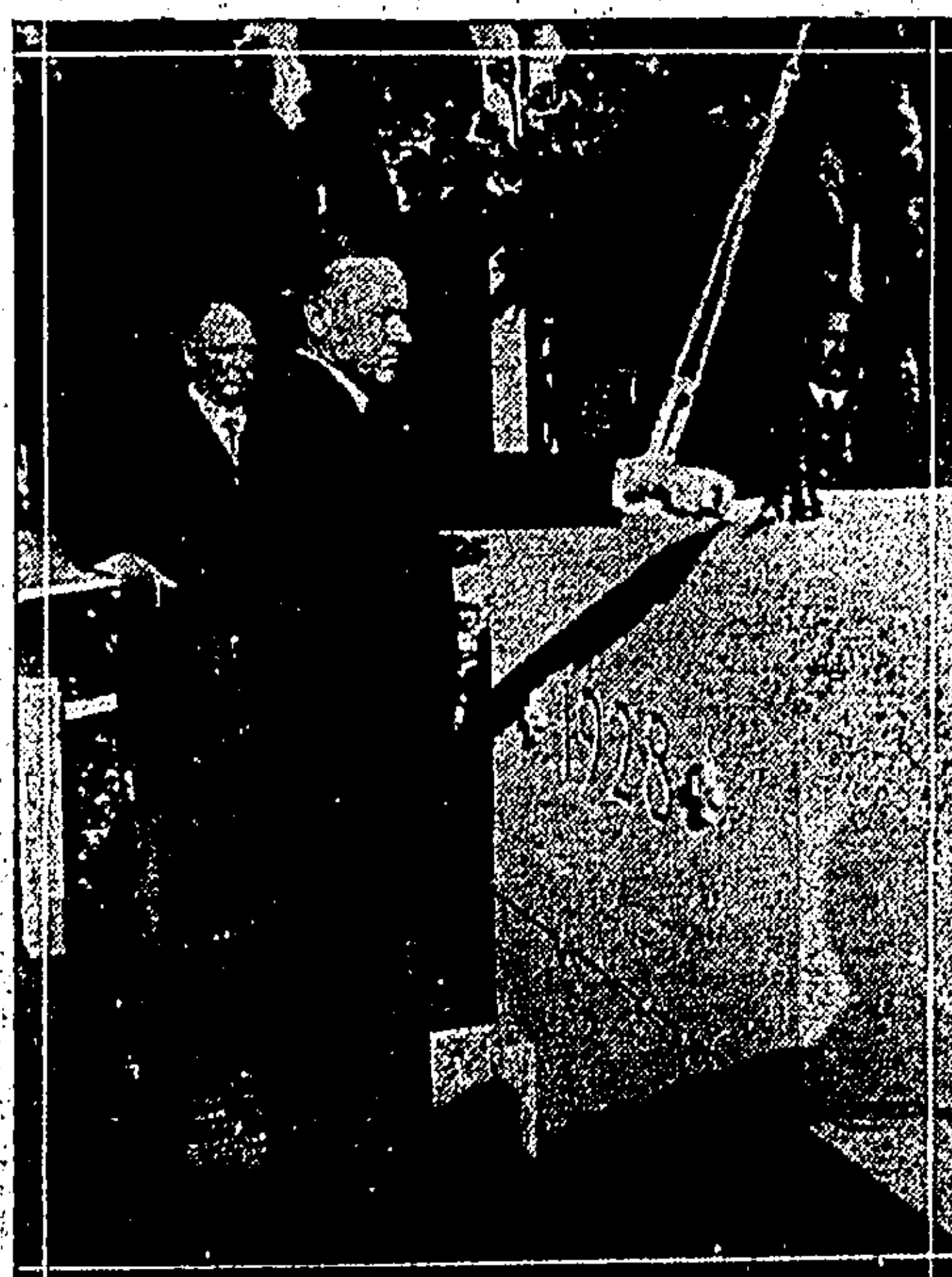
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President Coolidge tapping into place the cornerstone of the new memorial building of the American Red Cross in Washington, D.C. The new building, a memorial to the American women who lost their lives while in service during the World War. A host of Government officials together with officers of the American Red Cross took part in the cornerstone laying.

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He gave costs against Lord Erroll and also costs against Mrs. Ramsay Hill, who was said to have a private income of £3,000 a year.

Farming in Kenya.

The Earl of Erroll, who is 27, succeeded to the title in February. His father died suddenly, and was earl for less than eight months. Lord Erroll married in 1923 Lady Idina Gordon, sister of Earl De La Warr, and a daughter was born in 1925. They settled on a farm in Kenya directly after their marriage.

LOUVAIN FACADE.

ARCHITECT'S DISPUTE WITH
RECTOR.

Paris, June 23.

It is reported that Mr. Whitney Warren, an American architect who has been supervising the building of the new Louvain Library, is taking legal action against Monsignor La Deuze, the rector of Louvain University, for omitting from the facade the inscription, "Destroyed by German fury, restored by American generosity."

Warren says the late Cardinal Mercier wished that there should be such an inscription, but La Deuze says his colleagues object because it is contrary to the spirit of Locarno, and that, furthermore the inscription is expressed in bad Latin.

Tablets bearing Warren's inscription arrived at Louvain from Brussels and were dumped from a wagon in front of the library. A police guard has been posted pending inquiries. The Belgian sculptor, Desoette, representing Warren, arrived at the scene and was taken to the police station. Warren later in the day lodged a complaint, after which Desoette was released. The stones have been placed in a warehouse.

EMPIRE IN FILMS.

HOME MARKETING BOARD
PLAN.

London, June 23.

The political correspondent of "The Times" says: "The Empire Marketing Board has established a Special sub-Committee to consider the production of films conveying an impression what the Empire really is. The sub-Committee is at present discussing the matter with Mr. Rudyard Kipling, whose co-operation is likely to be sought. It is not intended to produce merely advertising or propaganda films, but to create appropriate backgrounds and meet the demand from many parts of the Empire for films giving a true idea of the daily life of the Mother country and the Dominions."

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Latest developments are recorded in this week's "Overland China Mail" in which will also be found a series of special contributions from a political correspondent, dealing with several topics of moment. Possible peace between the Nationalists and Manchuria is another subject referred to; also the position of Japan and other foreign Powers in relation to China's attitude on treaties.

The first typhoon of the season and the Court Martial of a Naval officer are among the most prominent of local events reported in the "Overland China Mail," the only illustrated weekly summary of "local" and "China" news.

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HONOLULU MARU Friday, 3rd August.

SUMATRA MARU Sunday, 19th August.

DURBAN, DELAGOA BAY, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR AND

MOMBASA—Via Singapore and Colombo.

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JAPAN PORTS.

KASADO MARU Sunday, 22nd July.

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**SHIPPING SECTION.****HAGUE RULES.**OSLO SHIPOWNERS' FILE
OPPOSITION.

A lengthy criticism of The Hague Rules was made at a meeting of the Oslo Shipowners' Association by Mr. Kristoffer Olsen, and after discussion a resolution was adopted unanimously dissenting in principle from the adoption in Norway of the rules by way of legislation. The association considers that it would be practically impossible to get an appropriate law in such a complicated connection. Moreover it is held that the uniformity which is thought to be carried out will not be obtained by international legislation for all kinds of maritime transport. It is also considered that international confiscation will hamper the free development and adaptation of regulations to changed requirements.

Should, however, there be a question of the establishment of The Hague Rules by legislation in Norway, the resolution draws attention to the circumstance that these are not worked out with reference to tramp services, and all are said to be agreed that there is no need through invariable rules to fix by legislation The Hague Rules.

MERSEY DOCKS.COLONEL BUCKLEY ELECTED
A MEMBER.

Lieut.-Col. Albert Buckley, D.S.O., chairman of the Council of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, was at the weekly meeting of the Mersey Docks and Harbour Board elected a member of that body to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. John H. Burrell.

Mr. E. G. Brownbill, in proposing Mr. Buckley's election, said he felt sure that the proposal would meet with general acceptance, as they all knew of Colonel Buckley's public career, and there was no need for him to enlarge upon it. Most of his life Colonel Buckley had been identified with the wool trade, which formerly was represented on the Board. In addition Colonel Buckley holds the position of chairman of the Council of the Liverpool Chamber of Commerce, and he felt sure the members would agree with him that it was a matter of congratulation that they were linking up with that important body which represented so many trade interests.

Mr. Ernest Cook seconded. The Chairman (Mr. James H. Beazley), in putting the resolution

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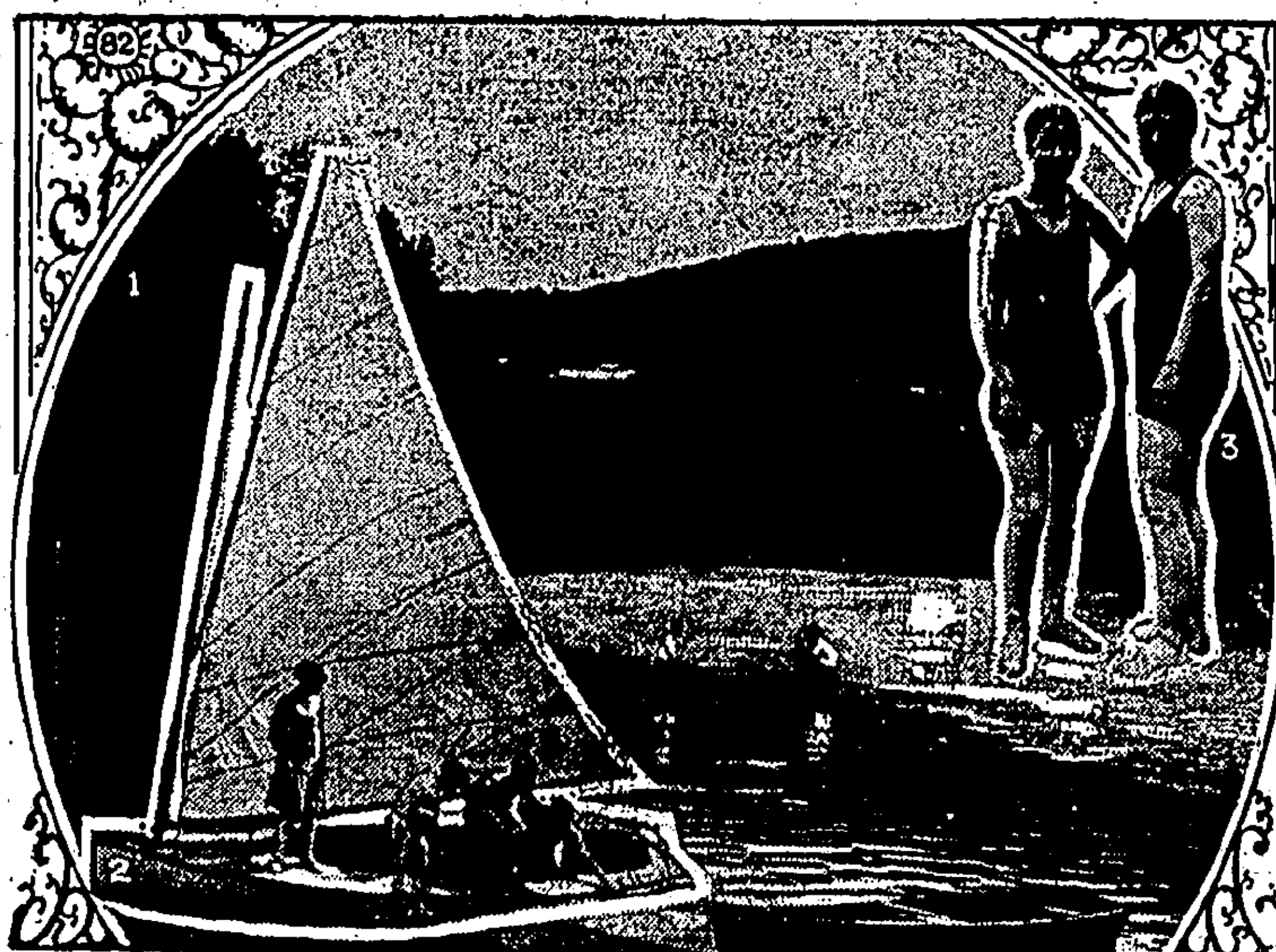
Belfast.—Messrs. Harland and Wolff have received from the White Star Company an order for a vessel which will be the largest in the world. They have commenced to lay the keel.

The dimensions of the vessel are not yet available for publication. The record for size is held by the White Star liner "Majestic," which is 915 ft. long and has a tonnage of 56,650 gross.

The construction of the new vessel will occupy between three and four years and the cost is expected to amount to nearly \$7,000,000. Its gross tonnage is expected to be about 60,000.

The new ship will be employed on the Southampton—New York route and will be fitted and furnished in the most luxurious manner. It is possible that she may be driven by internal combustion engines. If so, they will mark a very big advance in size, the largest existing motor vessel being the Italian-built "Augustus," with a tonnage of 33,000.

The White Star Company has not in the past made any attempt to break speed records with their big vessels, and at present the fastest liner is the Cunarder "Mauretania." It is possible that with the new ship the White Star Company may challenge her supremacy.

THE LURE OF THE LAURENTIANS

(1) A scene of the North River at Piedmont. (2) Off for the day on the wings of the cool breeze. (3) Re-

The Spring Floods in the Laurentians have in no way affected the fishing in that district, sportsmen returning to Montreal have stated, adding that the fish are biting better than previous years and that the catch has exceeded their past records.

The Laurentians so popular during the winter for skiers, enjoy in reality a year round favour in the eyes of holiday hunters, and have at every season some particular attraction to offer. At present the fishing is bringing many sportsmen up into the mountains, and as usual this is proving to be of the best.

The Mont Tremblant district is perhaps the most attractive and interesting in the Laurentians. This mountain was known to the Indians as "Manitou Ewicht-Saga" signifying, "the Mountain of the Dread Manitou," and the legendary dominating power of the range, beneath whose wrath the whole district trembled.

There are beautiful lakes not far from Mont Tremblant, Lake Cauchier and Lake Oulou, where a hotel and summer cottages have been built and good fishing abounds. The district north of Mont Tremblant is a pathless wilderness stretching as far north as the Arctic Circle, with no settlements whatever. The only human habitations are those of lumbermen and hunters, who canoe up the Devil's River and the intervening lakes during the fall of the year, making their permanent camp about one hundred miles north of Mont Tremblant.

Access to this recreation land is provided by the Canadian Pacific Railway from Montreal to such places as Shawbridge, Piedmont, Ste. Marguerite, Val Morin, Ste. Agathe, Ivry, St. Faurin, Labelle and Mont Laurier, and the end of the line. The line running north from Ottawa to Maniwaki is no less liked and carries many anglers northwards from the capital for a spring vacation with rod and line at this time.

as applied to tramp shipping. In this connection the resolution refers to the representations made by the Norwegian Shipowners' Association to the Norwegian Department of Commerce on April 30, 1923, which included the following:—

If Norwegian shipping is to assume a stand point on this question, we must stand out in principle that possible international legislation should be limited to the branch at which the original action aimed, namely, liner shipping and other piece goods traffic. The free tramp services are of such a manifold kind, and it is so difficult to survey how such an arbitrary intervention in the freedom of contract will operate, that both for reasons of principle and practice we must dissuade from the inclusion of free tramp shipping.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

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Local quarantine restrictions against shipping arrivals from Bangkok have been rescinded.

Fees set out in tables B and C of the Merchant Shipping Ordinance, 1899, are reduced to one half in respect of yachts of yacht clubs which appear in the Navy List, says the "Gazette."

to the meeting, said the Board were fortunate in having secured the services of a gentleman so well and favourably known as Colonel Buckley.

The resolution was unanimously carried.

THE GREAT LAKES.NORWEGIAN SHIPPING
COMPLAINT.

A complaint by the Consul-General for Norway that Norwegian vessels were "not allowed to do coasting trade on the Great Lakes was referred to" in the Senate by Senator Casgrain, states the Montreal correspondent of the "Daily Telegraph."

The Consul's statement was that the Norwegian regulations regarding seaworthiness were as strict as those of other countries, and also that Norwegian ships brought necessary commodities to Canada, such as coal, and employed a certain number of Canadians.

Senator Casgrain read a memorandum from the Dominion Marine Association, which represents the Lakes shipping owners. This complained of unfair competition by Scandinavian shipping on the ground that it was not subject to Canadian laws and regulations regarding qualifications, while the wages paid were only a third of those paid to Canadian sailors.

Senator Dandurand, the leader of the Senate, promised to bring the matter before the Government after comment from the other side showing prejudice to the general interests if shipping was adequate through the exclusion of foreign vessels.

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EMPERESS OF ASIA	Sept. 12	Sept. 15	Sept. 18	Sept. 20	Sept. 29
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Oct. 3	Oct. 6	Oct. 9	Oct. 11	Oct. 20
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Oct. 24	Oct. 27	Oct. 30	Nov. 1	Nov. 10
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Nov. 7	Nov. 10	Nov. 13	Nov. 15	Nov. 24
EMPERESS OF CANADA	Nov. 28	Dec. 1	Dec. 4	Dec. 6	Dec. 15
EMPERESS OF RUSSIA	Dec. 12	Dec. 15	Dec. 18	Dec. 20	Dec. 29
EMPERESS OF ASIA	Jan. 16	Jan. 19	Jan. 22	Jan. 24	Feb. 2
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LINE'S EXPERIMENT.

"BAY" STEAMERS.

With respect to the report of the
probability of some or all of the
fleet of steamers bought by Lord
Kylsant on behalf of the White
Star Line from the Australian
Government, making Liverpool a
port of call, the White Star Line,
who, in association with the Aber-
deen Line, will control the steam-
ers, explain the position as fol-
lows:—

"The recently-acquired Austra-
lian Commonwealth Line, consist-
ing of five passenger boats known
as "Bay" steamers, and two cargo
steamers known as "Dale" boats,
is now being operated by our Lon-
don associates, Messrs. George
Thompson and Co., who are asso-
ciated with the White Star Line,
under the style of the Aberdeen
Commonwealth Line. The first
vessel to sail under these auspices
was the "Larga Bay" which left
London on May 15. The managers
of the Aberdeen Commonwealth
Line, following the principle which
has been their accepted one for
upwards of one hundred years, of
fixing their vessels to give the ser-
vice most required by shippers and
consignees, and having in mind the
recent urgings of importers in
Liverpool and district for direct
service from the Commonwealth,
have decided that the first three
sailings of their new fleet, namely,
"Larga Bay," "Moreton Bay," and
"Hobson's Bay," shall be returned
via Suez to Liverpool as the first
port of discharge. This will sup-
ply experience as to the need which
the importers urge for the provi-
sion of the facilities, upon which
a decision will be reached for the
future."

SWEDISH LOAN.

CONDITIONS REVISED BY
GOVERNMENT.

RATE OF INTEREST.

The Swedish Government has
just issued a proclamation revising
with immediate effect the condi-
tions under which loans will in
future be granted out of the State
Ship Loan Fund for the acqui-
sition of ships.

The notice states that the fund
is principally destined for the pro-
motion of Swedish shipping in
foreign parts, and specially in dis-
tant waters, whereas loans can only
be conceded in exceptional cases
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in the home shipping trade. If
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the currency of the loan. After
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nal date of grant, there shall be
repaid during the following six
years one-sixth part annually of
the original amount of the loan,
without, however, debarring the
borrowers from repaying at one
time before the date of maturity
that part of the loan still remain-
ing unredeemed. If the instalment
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the centre of the group, and who advised them that it were better to
work for a salary and be independent than just to work at keeping
house."

LIMERICK DOCK.

BOARD PROPOSE TO PROCEED
WITH SCHEME.

The Limerick Harbour Board,
considered a notice of motion given
by Mr. O'Flynn, to rescind all the
resolutions previously adopted,
calling on the Minister of Com-
merce in the Free State to carry
out the arrangement for the con-
struction of a railway link connect-
ing the docks, and informing
him that the board have decided to
proceed with the scheme for the
extension of the docks, and re-
questing a guarantee for the rais-
ing of £125,000 to carry out the
work.

Mr. O'Flynn stated that the
Minister in a letter, dated January
25 last, had asked them to con-
sider which scheme they were pre-
pared to go on with.

Railway Scheme.

Everything necessary, Mr.
O'Flynn said, had been done to
proceed with the dock extension.
They had incurred much expense
and prepared plans, had surveys
made, and secured a Bill. In the
Free State legislature were all
those efforts to be for nothing?
It would take a further consider-
able time to secure powers to con-
struct the railway. The majority
of the citizens favoured the dock
extension as an immediate under-
taking. It would be finished about
the time the Shannon power scheme
was compared, and a better op-
portunity might then arise for the
undertaking of the railway link.

Mr. James H. Roche seconded
Mr. O'Flynn's proposition "in
favour of the dock scheme."

An amendment by Mr. Treacey
urged that the board consider the
alternative recommendations made
by the Minister, such as the im-
provement of the dock walls and
quays and other points. It had,
he said, been definitely stated by
the Minister, that the dock exten-
sion could not be carried out with-
out the railway scheme.

The motion was adopted by 12
votes to three.

FRENCH SHIP FOUNDERS.

News has been received in the
Colony that the French s.s. "Cap
Lay" founded in Bale d'Along,
Indo-China, during the typhoon of
July 15-16, when about fifty lives
were lost, including that of the
ship's surgeon who attempted to
effect rescues when the ship had
been driven against a cliff 160 feet
high. The vessel is submerged and
only the davit heads are showing.
The "Cap Lay" was of 8,009 tons
gross, 4,391 net, her dimensions
being length 417.7 feet, beam 55.1
feet and depth 34.5 feet. She was
on the run between Bordeaux and
Haiphong, via Colombo and Saigon.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Alipore" left
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about 8 a.m.

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Asia" arrived at Shanghai yester-
day at 2.30 p.m., leaves Shanghai
to-day at noon, and is due at
Nagasaki to-morrow at 4 p.m.
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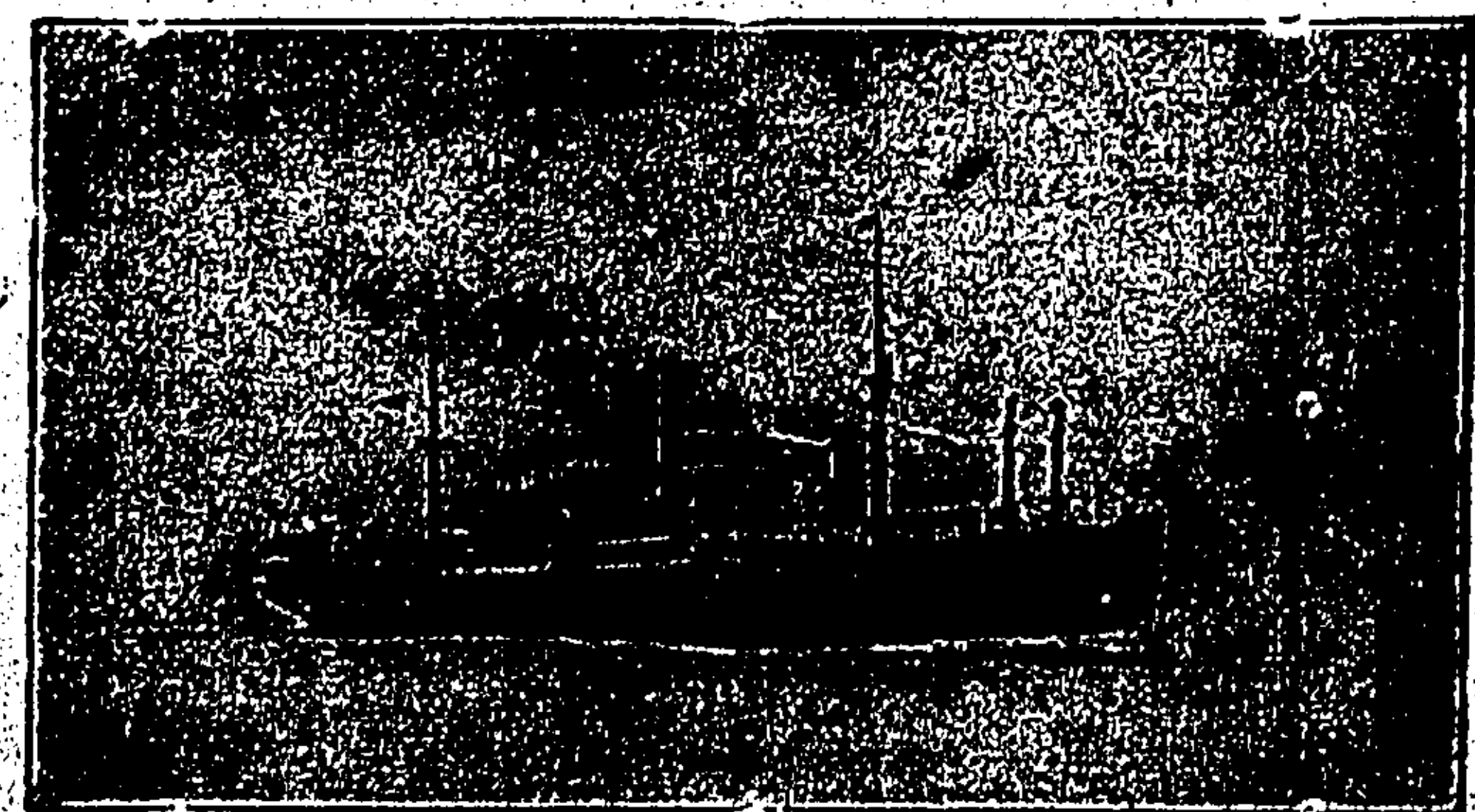
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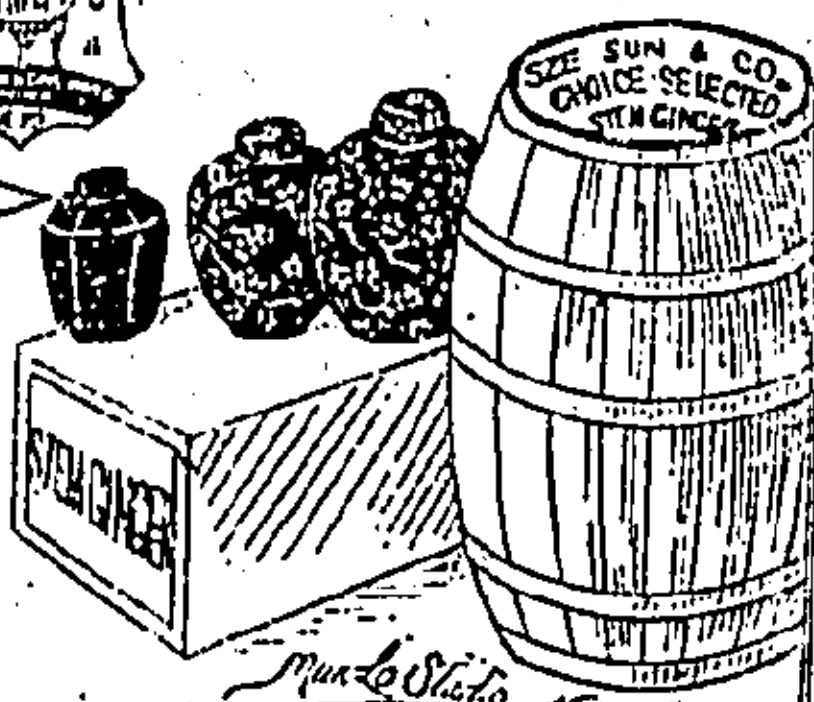
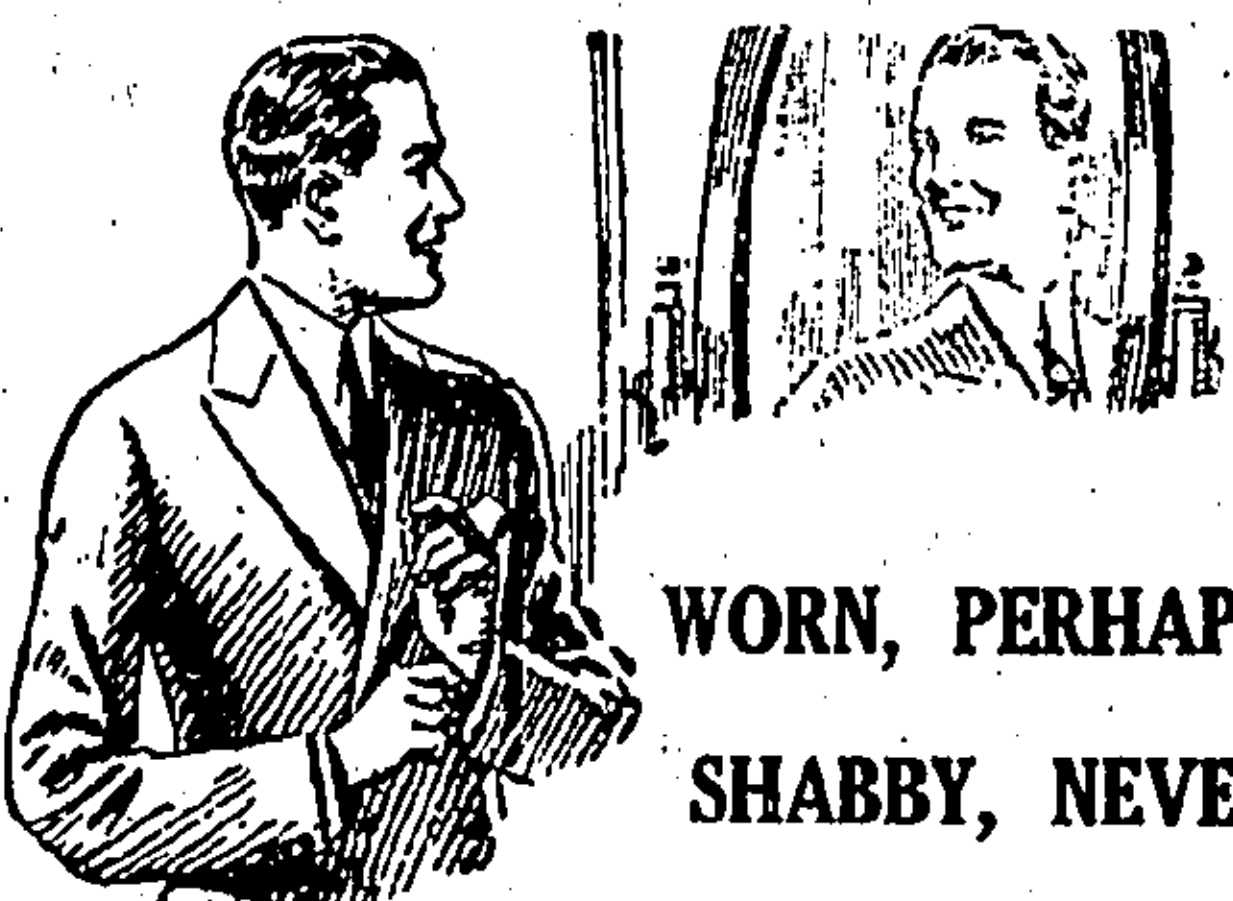
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H.C.—His Column.

The next International Congress of Agriculture is to be held in Bucharest in 1929. Which does not give our New Territories Association much time to prepare and despatch exhibits, does it?

Even among most of us A Woman who have been sipping in it. the nectars of Cathay long enough to know better there occasionally arises a desire, sometimes a longing, to witness once more a really good play; and if by the gentle tickling of any of my electric lamp bulbs I could command a magic carpet I would ask to be set down in a seat at the Strand Theatre. For here is—or was very recently—being explained what Hannibal was up to on that particular night of 216 B. C. when he decided to turn back from Rome, also why he refrained from sacking the city when at its very gates. There is, of course, a woman in it.

However, it seems that He Died Casanova, if not a proper a Bum. bad man, was undoubtedly a rogue and a knave. He was never long without money, and when funds were low would start a swindling company or ally himself to card sharps. He always longed for the life of a great gentleman, but, as Mr. Joseph Le Gras has said, "there was in him an overflow of low instincts, vulgar, coarse, dirty, the need of immediate satisfaction of low pleasure." At one time in Venice he was a police spy, but, as Mr. Dark says, was probably inefficient, for after a year his regular income came to an end. He was kicked out of Venice and again went to Paris, where he dreamt many dreams. One of his plans was to start a newspaper—"all adventures sooner or later have such plans," comments Mr. Dark—but it did not come true. Though his trade was swindling, he was often swindled. He died a bum.

I do not care two hoots Pseudo-whether America wins Amateurs. the Davis Cup, but it is refreshing to see that that country's lawn tennis blivvies intend to enforce the Amateur Rule in connection with players writing newspaper articles for pay or consideration. Also, I do not care two hoots about this particular Amateur Rule. What I like to see is the prevention of pseudo-amateurs waxing fat on proceeds which belong, really, to the journalists' pocket.

Sir David Yule, Autobiographical who has recently died, has been called the "silent millionaire" chiefly because, it seems, his life and career only occupied nine lines in "Who's Who." Which does not follow at all, as a Homeside civil action proved not long ago. Then it was shown that persons considered of sufficient importance to grace the pages of the familiar red book with particulars concerning themselves are invited to write their own notices. Another misconception that may possibly arise in connection with the late Sir David is that, as he was a big shareholder of the London Daily Chronicle and its associated publications, he made his fortune, computed to be between ten and twenty million sterling, out of newspapers. Nothing of the kind, dear reader. He collected his wealth through the medium of the two famous merchant firms, Andrew Yule of Calcutta and Yule, Catto and Co. Ltd., of London.

A contemporary recently had occasion severely to rap the knuckles of a correspondent who took exception to a local custom. The correspondent, however, had the good grace to admit that he had written in ignorance of the custom so everything was all right. Strange to say the people who err in regard to what is and is not done are, frequently, those who have been in the Colony more than a little while. Promoters of shows of all kinds now and then forward to the newspaper offices one instead of two complimentary tickets when desiring a critique or, as the advertiser calls it, a write-up. Only a couple of days ago, I am told, those responsible for the arrangement of the promenade concert erred in this direction. Of course, there is no obligation to supply two free seats; it is merely the custom.

One of the few concerns in Hong Kong Football's popularity, which simply cannot help making money is the H. K. Football Club; and this is a pleasing indication of the game's popularity. Seventeen thousand dollars, I see, is to be spent on a new club house on or near the site of the present match, a good way of getting rid of funds for which there is no immediate use. Wilfred Pennell, who used to work on the Daily Press here and play for the H. K. F. C., recently had some sensible things to say in his present paper, the Peking and Tientsin Times, upon the growth in popularity of soccer in the Colony, particularly among the Chinese. He also fairly accurately gauged the present situation and pointed a warning at the accumulation of funds by amateur bodies. His remarks were reproduced in part in the China Mail.

The admirable man- Good Work in ner in which our the Harbour. local Harbour officials perform the duties allocated to them has a parallel, I see, in the Far East. In Singapore all vessels, British and foreign, are boarded by the Marine Department's officers upon arrival and departure, and local rules have to be complied with strictly to the letter before clearance certificates are issued. Down there, it seems, actual overloading is an offence which rarely occurs; most of the Marine Court's cases have to do with the piling of deck cargoes higher than the three and a half feet legal limit. Overloading, it is pointed out, is an offence which may involve the master in trouble with the insurance companies and the harbour authorities, as well as, maybe, Lloyd's. It is not generally known that all vessels in harbour here are subject to observation by representatives of the insurance companies.

A lot has been heard recently, regarding the faulty running of the wheels of justice in the Provisional Court of Shanghai since it ceased to be known as the Mixed Court, but quite often, I observe, there are decisions handed out which appear to conform with the accepted tenets of legal procedure. Take that copyright case which came up the other week. A Chinese firm put on the market a

hair preparation which they termed "stakonk." Perhaps it was a very good preparation. However, the labels and jars resembled so much those which are the proprietary marks of a well-known product almost similarly named that the Chinese were mulcted in the sum of two hundred dollars and their imitative bottles confiscated. Which is the stuff to give 'em!

H. M. S. Suffolk, according to friend Josh Schoolboy Boxers, has brought a tidy collection of boxers with her to the China station, and with the rapidly approaching cool weather we should see some more sterling programmes staged by the local Association. What I should like to witness is a number of schoolboy tournaments such as the Victoria Recreation Club used to run in connection with the Colony championships. There are a few worthy old-time scrappers acting as coaches at the various schools, so the lads are being looked after in this direction. Why not, then, stage one or more competitions during the winter? Some of the schools have sufficient pupils to present a programme off their own bat, as Billy Tingle's Diocesan boys do in Shanghai.

Telegraphic communication with Shanghai, and beyond has been re-established.

The name of Mr. G. H. Bond has been added to the list of authorised architects in Hong Kong.

A new regulation relating to fermentation in distilleries is announced in the "Gazette."

Two gold rings, valued at \$15 are reported stolen from No. 24, Woosung-street, Yau-mat, early yesterday.

Alterations to house numbers in Robinson-road, and Queen's-road West are announced in the "Government Gazette."

\$57 of counterfeit coins were discovered by the police in an unnumbered matchbox on Shaukiwan hill side. A woman was arrested.

Between 4.15 and 5.15 a.m. yesterday thieves entered No. 155 Aberdeen-street, and stole a hand bag and \$135 in Hong Kong bank notes.

A Chinese, found interfering with the fire hydrant, and drawing water from it, in Circular Pathway, was fined \$15 by Major C. Willson yesterday.

The body of a three months' old Chinese, found by the police between Aberdeen-street and Caine-road, was taken to the Public Mortuary.

Names struck off the register of companies include those of Colonial Commercial Co., Ltd., The General Exchange Co., Ltd., Yue Tak Co., Ltd. and The Sedan Co., Ltd.

A married woman, named Lau Chak, aged 23, residing at Russell-street was removed to Government Civil Hospital yesterday suffering from poison, believed to have been self-administered.

A Chinese, found guilty of stealing 5,000 copper cents from a money changer's shop in Des Voeux-road Central, was sentenced to fourteen days' hard labour by Major C. Willson yesterday.

H.M. the King has given assent to Ordinance No. 5 of 1928 which gave effect to the change in name and office of the Principal Civil Medical Officer to Director of Medical and Sanitary Services.

TEASERS.

Answer The "China Mail" Questions.

TO-DAY'S POSERS.

From day to day a series of half a dozen questions, not tremendously difficult to answer but not always so simply solved as may be thought, appear on this page. These, as in the past, are compiled by the "China Mail" staff and include from time to time questions of local interest. Answers are given on Page Eleven.

1. Who was Ares?
2. What local firm files a red flag on which is a white circle with the letter "A" inscribed?
3. What is bakelite?
4. How many beds are there at the Tung Wah Hospital?
5. What is a calque?
6. Who is the Commodore of the Hong Kong Naval Establishments?

THE LASSIES.

"The wisest man the world e'er saw
He dearly lov'd the lassies o'—"
BURNS.

I wonder what pur Rab would say
About the lassies of to-day;
What he'd think of this short skirt
movement.
Like me, he'd say; a great
improvement.
And better noo by far, than when
They walked like some auld
cloakin' hen.
Their dresses traillin' in the glair
Tae show their legs, they widna
dair.
Their throats in stiff neckbands
encased;
Their bodice yriket at the waist.
Their hair done up in twists and
knots.
Lang skirts and flannel petti-
coats.
But noo their shorn O's their locks
Their class they hardly hide their
docka.
But smarter far in every way
Than what they were in my
young day.
Noo, men wha yince admired their
cheeks,
Pay mair attention tae their
breeks.
The young yins, they are no' tae
blame.
Four noo their grannies dress the
same.
They're no' owre auld at sixty-three
Tae wear their skirt abune their
knee.
They're just as frisky as can be
I often think it's great tae see
Auld hens wha's youth is long syne
owre
Dressed up like tarts o'twenty-
five.
Ye'd think them young things, out
on trial
Until they turn and show their
dial.
What sights ye see; when stairs
ascending
Or if ye chance tae catch them
bending.
There's some auld cranks wha try
tae shame them
But as for me, I never blame
them.
I'm shair I'd never think it
shocking
Tae see a lass pu' up her stocking
And I'd be first tae lend her
A hand tae fasten her suspender.
I hope that naught will come to mar
The sights I see when on the car.
In bouncess three or four young
queens
A' plump and strapping' in their
teens.
Wi' skirts well abune their knee
They'll plank theirs in front
ome.
They're neither shy nor blate, my
fegs
They'll twist and turn and cross
their legs.
Like ither things that are for-
bidden,
There's legs that wad be better
hidden.
There's some like posts and some
like pokers
They'll scarce haud up their
camblockers;
But then there's lots o' better stuff
O' them ye canna see enough
Some say in jest and some in anger
That dresses should be worn
langer.
They may be so, I hae my doots,
Lang skirts and lassic sided boots
Have had their stay. Ye'll nae
mair see them,
Unless it be in some museum.
I'm sorry for the pur dressmaker
For very sune they'll a' forsake
her;
The game'll no' be worth a docken.
What matter tho' I'm turning
auld
And tho' my pate is getting bald?
I'd gang a lang way tae see
A weel shaped calf and rounded
knee
I'd rather miss my ham and eggs
Than Monday mornin's show o'
legs
Ye'll find as lang's there is a
flicker
It's a gay auld horse that winna
nicker
I hear that in a year or twa
They'll no' wear any dress ava'
If this should happen, Lord be
kind
And aye keep me frae turning
blind.
That I may watch each yin that
passes,
As lang's I live I'll lo'e the lassies.
God bless them a', they hae my
thanks,
Wha show a weel made pair o'
shanks.

WUCHOW TRADE.

The Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce has received a written complaint from a Chinese merchant who shipped 20 bales of Indian yarn to Wuchow by the s.s. "Kwong Ying" on June 1. The goods were purchased, it is stated, from Messrs. E. J. Sassoon and Co. of Hong Kong.
On arrival, the yarn was seized by pickets of the Wuchow Society for the Severance of Economic Relations with Japan, who alleged that the merchandise was of Japanese origin.

PICTURES OF LOCAL INTEREST



MUCH REGRETTED DEPARTURE.—Mr. H. T. Jackman, Assistant Director of Public Works, who is leaving to-day on retirement, after twenty-five years' service in Hong Kong. A very courteous official, whose going will be regretted by colleagues and the public.—(Ming Yuen).



COLONY'S PING-PONG CHAMPION.—Mr. Ng Tai-ping, who is also President of the Ping-Pong League, with his many trophies. The embroidered scroll on the right was presented by Chan Chak.—(A. Fong).



WIFE OF ASSISTANT D.P.W.—Mrs. H. T. Jackman, the wife of one of the Assistant Directors of Public Works, who is accompanying her husband to-day on his departure from the Colony. Mrs. Jackman leaves a host of friends in the Colony.—(Ming Yuen).



OFFERINGS TO BRITANNIA.—Kiddies of Quarry Bay School, dressed on Wednesday in costumes representative of all divisions of the Empire in a tableaux in which Britannia was the central figure. The occasion was "Open Day" at the school, largely attended by parents and friends.—(Welcome Studio).



PHYSICAL CULTURE.—One of the movements taught by Madame Baronelli of Kowloon in her physical culture for children and ladies.—(Tanaka).



IN THE GYMNASIUM.—At Quarry Bay School on Wednesday, when the children dressed up and presented an entertainment for "Open Day," much admired by proud parents and friends. — (Welcome Studio).



DANCING TEACHER.—Madame Baronelli, who teaches dancing for both adults and children at her studio in Ashley-road, Kowloon.—(Tanaka).



ST. PAUL'S COLLEGE, HONG KONG.—A group of the Chinese boys. In the centre row, second from left, is Mr. E. G. Stewart. In the centre is Mr. Tso, the son of Dr. S. W. Tso, LL.D.—(Welcome Studio).



WHERE THE BOYS SLEEP.—One of the dormitories in the Diocesan Boys' School, in the new building, Homuntin, Kowloon.



LOCAL SEAT OF LEARNING.—In the quadrangle of the new building of the Diocesan Boys' School at Homuntin, Kowloon.

THE "MAIL'S" FASHIONS ILLUSTRATED.

THE NEW SPORTS COAT

Among the New Coats Which Show An Increasing Variety Is Seen the Velveteen of Bright Colours



Femininity is the fashion for the coming seasons, and this tendency towards a softened outline is exhibited in sports models as well as in the more formal coats.

There are ever so many silhouettes to choose from among the new sports coats and an equal assortment of materials and colours. Details of genuine charm possess an important part in lending variety to the sports mode.

The straightline silhouette has been in no way neglected and except for a few variations there is a familiar look about many of the models which usher in a bright spring and summer season. Simplicity being always the dominant factor in sports clothes, there is bound to be a certain similarity of cut from one year to the other. However, the list of details which mark the coats now is long and interesting.

There is seen right now a tendency towards the normal waistline—a softer, more voluminous silhouette—intricate detail and subtle colouring.

The straightline coat with raglan sleeves, patch pockets and rolling revers is seen in many light and bright shades to accompany the two-piece knitted sports dresses. Soft woollen fabrics in lovely tones showing tucked yokes and pockets introduce a novel note. The French trench coat, too, has come into an important place in creating a style of its own in "off" shades in cotton gingham—smartly belted at waist and sleeves. Belts, too, play an important role in Scotch tweeds of tailored simplicity.

The velveteen coat in striking shades and simplicity of line also marks the mode. Doris Dawson, seen wearing a stunning model in First National's "The Little Shepherd of Kingdom Come," has chosen a yellow beige in tone.

UNDER THE BRIM OF THE SUMMER HAT.

As the mid-summer season approaches, the brimmed hat assumes importance. One's comfort comes first, after all, and while we admit the utter smartness of the brimless small hat, it is hardly to be considered when the day is drenched with sunshine. Even the cloche, quite sufficient unto itself, is broadening its brim for reasons it considers sufficient. In general, the brimmed hat is having its hour!

Quite as seasonal as the garden is the garden hat. It is a logical accessory to the frock of lace or chiffon, or the summer cotton or linen. The woman who finds it picturesque becoming greets it with enthusiasm, the woman who does not contents herself with a medium brim, shortened where it should be, given width where it is possible. Seldom has the medium-brimmed hat been so varied and interesting.

It is a somewhat paradoxical statement, this, but it is really true that as the brims widen, more of the fact is shown. This is achieved in various ways, chiefly by a flared treatment; not upward, but outward and downward. There is a slight lifting in the process. At times the large hat shows a brim shorter on one side than on the other, the wide side drooping, this results in a view of the face.

It is noted that straw is assuming its rightful position in the summer mode and at this time it is casting felt and fabrics of various sorts into the shadow. Felt is, however, a classic, and always correct because so rated. But the smart hat is the straw hat, almost invariably. We list them—Bangkok, ballbunt, Bakou, sisal, pallason, hair and the fine straws that are ably represented by Milan.

Since there must be millinery to suit every purpose, as well as every type, we must consider a hat wardrobe that includes sports, town, afternoon and evening models.

Sports and country hats make use of the cloche and the beret, but the newest idea is the stockinet straw skull cap that reminds one of the turban of the Afghan King, who is credited with inspiring this little hat when he paid Paris a visit.

It is a comparatively hopeless thing—little more than a rag of straw—in the hand, but on the head it has immeasurable chic. The beret of antelope is another sports fashion, and hats of felt and angora rival straw in this group. It is only a step from sports millinery to that designed for town wear, which stresses the small hat with an occasional large hair hat that is quite simply trimmed.

The cloche is important in this group, and is made of either felt or straw. The small flower turban appears, also, and turbans of decorative material—as jersey tricot and fabrics that are polka-dotted. Another novelty appears in this class, and it, too, is a turban. It is made of tricot straw, fits closely to the head, and has long Georgette scarfs depending from either side. These scarfs are worn floating free, wound about the neck, or draped around the hat.

The hat with wide brim or medium-wide is the afternoon choice. Evening sees a return of the turban or the skull cap. A word about the latter is imperative, for it is one of the season's successes. It is made of gleaming paillettes, or of tiny lacquered feathers, or of curls of fine straw that resemble a Greek head in staturary. On certain types this skull cap is extremely smart, but many types cannot wear it at all.

Summer brings a very great many flowers into the millinery scheme, but tailored finishes and trimmings prevail. Some of the large hats have the edges of the brim bound with ribbon to match the band around the crown. Lace appears on transparent picture hats as well as on smaller hats of straw. There are some effective colour contrasts, black and white, enjoying favour. Fabric contrasts are also important.

GENERAL TENDENCIES AND MINUTE DETAILS THAT MARK THE MODE

A Complete Change in the Silhouette for Summer Ushers in Many Interesting Details for a Complete Wardrobe. Feminine Touches Everywhere Show Fashion's Trend.



With the summer season here and a peep into summer styles creating a keen interest in the mode, it is stimulating to observe the general change in the new silhouette. Gone entirely is the vogue of things boyish. Sports clothes are definitely planned for sports—femininity is stressed in all their garments. The normal waistline is slowly but surely returning; skirts are longer; the scarf or cape neckline is readily observed; yards of material in everything helps to create the new soft, voluminous silhouette. Hats have taken to feminine trimmings and feathers, flowers and veils are much used to decorate them. Sweaters, too, show a feminine trend and have silk appliques. Indeed, it is a season giving a wealth of details a prominence long lacking in the mode.

Definite points of interest that create a feminine feeling are, for instance, the tucked yoke in both frock and coat. The fluttering sleeve that is so effective in thin materials gives a feeling of softness. The kerchief neckline is much observed in sports as well as in dresses for general wear. The jabot frill definitely takes its stand towards fluttering femininity, while the bustle bow is indeed a step or two backwards taken right from the heart of things feminine in styles. The tiered skirt possesses a fullness and soft outline. The longer skirt, too, is an important step in the realisation of things feminine. It generally is achieved in soft fabrics cut rather full. The uneven hemline, which uses yards of fabrics to gain a fluttering silhouette, is also a favourite of the day.

Capes are seen everywhere. They immediately give rise to a distinctly softened mode. In a suitable costume for morning they are smartly observed. The circular skirt with fullness at the front, sometimes placed on a hip yoke, is used. The belt in most cases is raised to a point that approaches the normal waistline of the sports jumper and the short cape takes the place of the cardigan. In the afternoon mode the fuller skirt is emphasised. Many flounces may accomplish this, sometimes indicating an upward movement towards the back. The bodice is usually developed on soft, but slim lines. The neckline usually heightens the feeling towards femininity.

In the evening mode the formal note is extremely important. The décolletage becomes lower, especially at the back. Bodices reveal a more fitted silhouette in contrast to the very full skirt. The dipping skirt and draperies at the hip show a new outline. Stiff fabrics are much used in the evening as well as the fluttering chiffons.

COOL HANDS.

So many girls' pleasure is spoilt at a dance by their hands perspiring, especially in these days when gloves are often dispensed with. On no account must any so-called "remedy" be taken to prevent or check perspiration. Some girls perspire much more than others, but it is "the way they are made." It is a good plan to soak the hands for about five minutes in a special solution before dressing for a dance. The best thing to use is a solution of borax. The borax must be bought in powder. A dessert-spoonful dissolved in two pints (an average-size tumbler holds half a pint) of warm water. The hands must be placed in this solution and covered over with a towel. Before drying them a few drops of glycerine must be poured over them and well rubbed in. If this treatment does not check excessive perspiration, a suitable powder must be used. Nothing is better than one in which boric acid in powder form is the chief ingredient. It can be mixed with any inert powder to dilute it, but the most satisfactory one is "light magnesia," so called because there is a "heavy magnesia" too. Put one part of boric acid with two parts of the light magnesia. The most handy way to measure is to fill a tablespoon—not heaped up, but flat. Mix the powders very lightly together. A mortar should

not be used. Just mix them on a sheet of paper (glazed paper is best) with a bone paper knife. Soak a piece of lint about 3 in. square in water (cold will do) for a very few minutes, so that it is thoroughly wet through. Then squeeze it out, but not too dry. Dip the rough side into the powder, and well press into it so that the material is smothered with the mixture. It must then be spread dry, and in a few hours will be ready for use. It will resemble "boracic lint" of the chemist, only it will have the magnesia as well. This will be found a most convenient way of applying the powder to the palms of the hands, just rubbing them over with the lint, which can be carried in the beauty-bag. Several pieces of lint can be prepared at the same time, and when dry folded up with the powdered side inwards. One piece of lint will be quite sufficient for one evening; all that is necessary is just a touch of the powder.

WORLD'S CHAMPION SKATER.

Skating in the old land has always been highly popular, but in Australia this sport has not made much headway—mainly because roller skating in time becomes monotonous, and ice skating can only be indulged in at certain places at certain times, so we are

not to blame if we are lacking in the progress of skating. Some years ago in Brisbane there were many hundreds of enthusiasts for roller-skating, and it would seem that there will be a great demand for it this winter. We recently heard news of Sonja Henie, the young Norwegian girl skater, who is only 15 years of age, and who retained the world's figure skating championship for ladies at the London Ice Club during last March. Having established a lead in the compulsory figures she executed some magnificent pirouettes, turns and figures in the free skating section. A large crowd, which included Princess Victoria and Princess Royal, witnessed the display. Sonja Henie was clad in turquoise and wonderful furs, and this rendered more picturesque her supreme grace on the ice. A feature of her demonstration was her spinning on each foot, her speed being astounding. Imagine a toe dancer speeded up about 10 times, and we may then have some idea of the spectacle presented by the world champion. There seemed to be surprise at the fact that the United States skater, Miss Maribel Vinson, won second place, beating Fraulien, Fritz Burger, of Vienna, by a narrow margin. It is said that Miss Vinson did extremely well in the free skating, giving a dazzling display of intricate movements.

Billie Dove finding a splendid opportunity to introduce lovely clothes of the latest fashion in First National's "The Heart of a Foolies Girl" is seen in dresses and ensembles of the most pronounced feminine tendencies.

WRAPS TO WEAR WITH THE NEW EVENING GOWNS

The Period Gown Demands a Special Type of Wrap. Billie Dove Designed One That Meets the Modern Needs With Feminine Chic.



The need to possess a wrap that will be in complete harmony with the new period gowns has been met as far as Billie Dove is concerned. Miss Dove has occasion to wear several exceedingly novel and beautifully elaborate evening gowns of period inspiration in her First National film, "The Yellow Lily." And, as this type of dress appealed to Miss Dove, she also chose several elaborate costumes of the same design for private life. But what to do for an evening gown to cover them? That was the question. The ordinary wrap not only crushed them in important places but was also out of harmony with the type of dress. So Miss Dove conceived the notion of designing a wrap to meet her immediate needs. The result was a series of really stunning wraps of individual charm and of chic appeal as well.

Evening wraps in general were never more lovely than those designed to meet the needs of the very bouffant and fluffily outlined skirt of the robe de style. Coat wraps to-day are designed with a distinct flare at the bottom. They are also worn short to allow the cascading fullnesses of the period gowns to escape the confines of a wrap.

Coats of smart failles and lustrous satins—particularly in black—and the bouffant wraps of taffetas and new moires are an integral part of the very feminine mode to-day.

Scarfs for evening are more fashionable than ever before. They are seen in the finest and most diaphanous gauzes, laces and chiffons. The new tinted laces are as sheer as cobwebs. Metallic gauze is very new and ombre tinted chiffon and painted chiffon are all used among the novelties that create scarfs for the new evening dresses. The evening shawl may be created out of a single square of metallic cloth and some harmonising chiffon. The chiffon is cut into strips about ten inches wide and then hemstitched. The chiffon is then gathered together and attached to three sides of the metallic square. The side without the chiffon is folded diagonally, so that the corner serves as a collar. The shawl is wrapped about the figure and held in place by the arms.

Miss Dove is pictured in a wrap of velvet with deep ruffles about the neckline to permit the tulle flouncings of her dress to remain uncrushed.

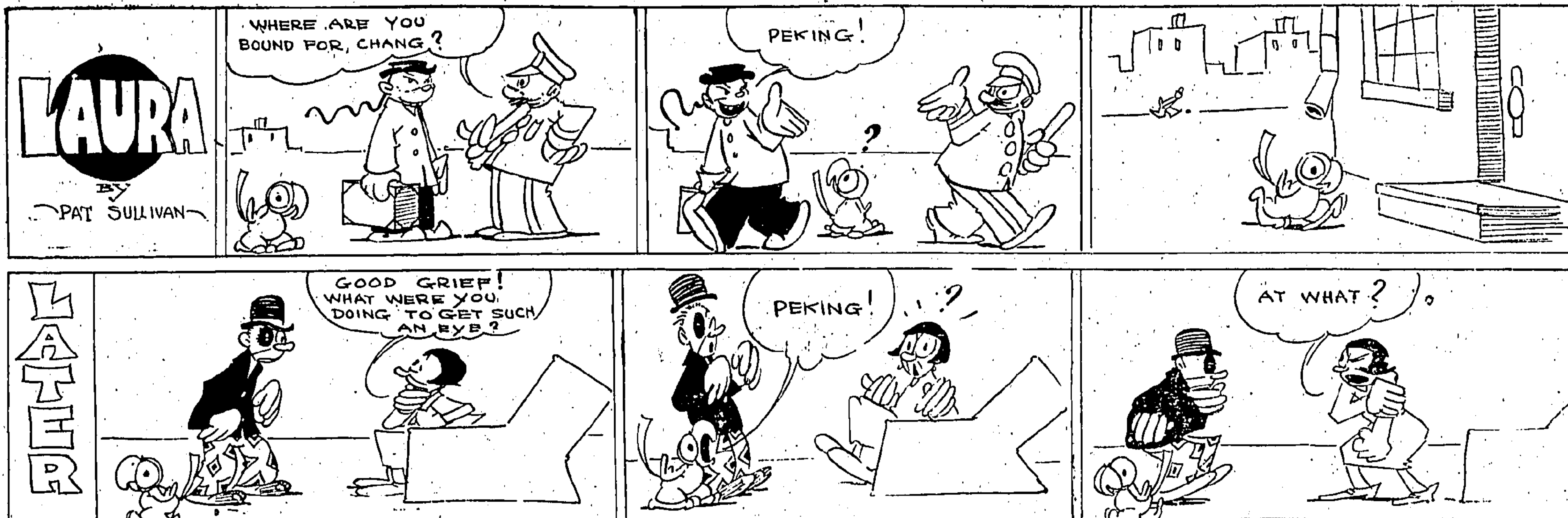
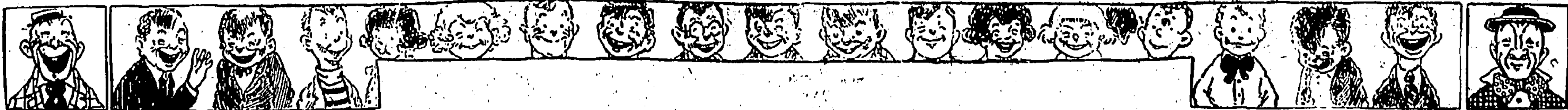
THE HOBBY OF HOBBIES.

What is it that puts gardening on a pinnacle above all other hobbies? There are golfing, book collecting, photography, bridge, mps and butterflies, but who would claim that any of them is so soul-satisfying as a garden? It is perhaps because there is much beauty in the garden waiting to reveal itself to the gardener who is worthy. But first of all you must give your wholehearted devotion, for your garden brooks no rivals. There is not a moment of your spare time which it does not claim. If you prove unfaithful, and coquette with golf, or some other time-absorber, your lapse is apparent for all to see. But what it asks, the garden also returns. Have you noticed that there never can be two gardeners on one plot? The garden blossoms for one alone. Others may admire, but they may not take a hand. That surely must be the secret; you are sufficient unto your garden alone. What is the story of beating bogey, if there is no one to listen to the tale? Why collect stamps if there is no one with whom you can exchange? Spoken sympathy so often hurts, and dare we confess it irritates. But the garden just goes on being beautiful, despite our private woes and clamours for things to be done, and what more could any one ask than beauty to soothe and labour to forget? Of course, you are either born a gardener or you are not. If not, then all the gardening books ever published will fail to teach you how. It is not alone a matter of much reading and deep study; love of the garden must be in your heart.

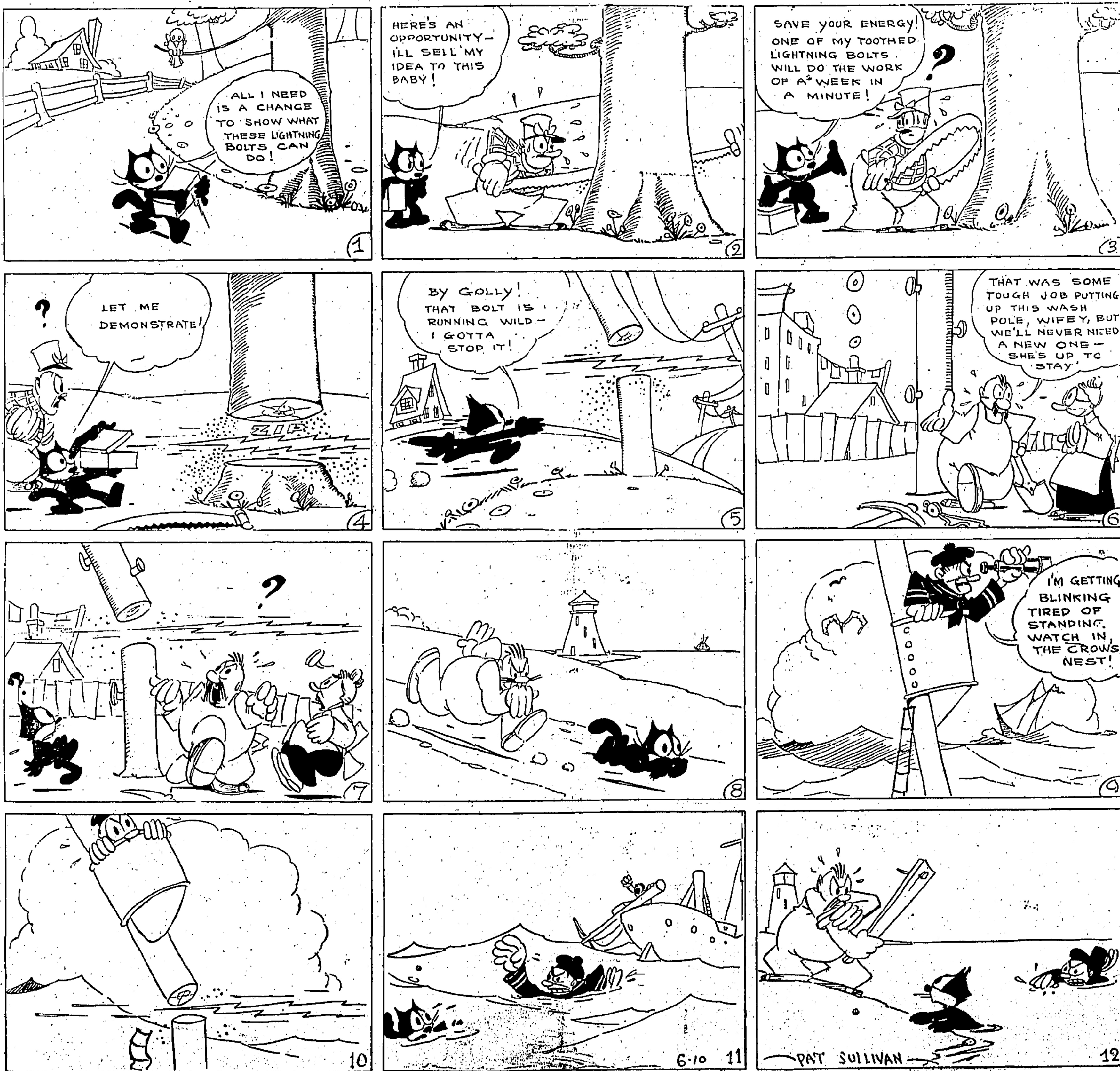
LATEST IN PARIS.

One would go a very long way to find anything more distinguished in the line of evening frocks than those in taffeta, both in plain and figured designs, which, in our humble opinion, were the outstanding feature of the collection which was shown by the house of Lanier the other afternoon. The most original of them all was of flowered silk the front of which was quite plain with bodice which was drawn tight around the figure and cut in a deep V at the back, from which a full breadth of the material was gathered in a semicircular effect which dipped low on the side. Another equally smart was of plain black taffeta, plain at the front and with two rows of pointed pieces in black with the same points in pink underneath bunched at the back, held in place by glittering rhinestone ornaments on either side of the low V of the bodice.

body, then the garden is the place for you, mainly because it is silent. Spoken sympathy so often hurts, and dare we confess it irritates. But the garden just goes on being beautiful, despite our private woes and clamours for things to be done, and what more could any one ask than beauty to soothe and labour to forget? Of course, you are either born a gardener or you are not. If not, then all the gardening books ever published will fail to teach you how. It is not alone a matter of much reading and deep study; love of the garden must be in your heart.



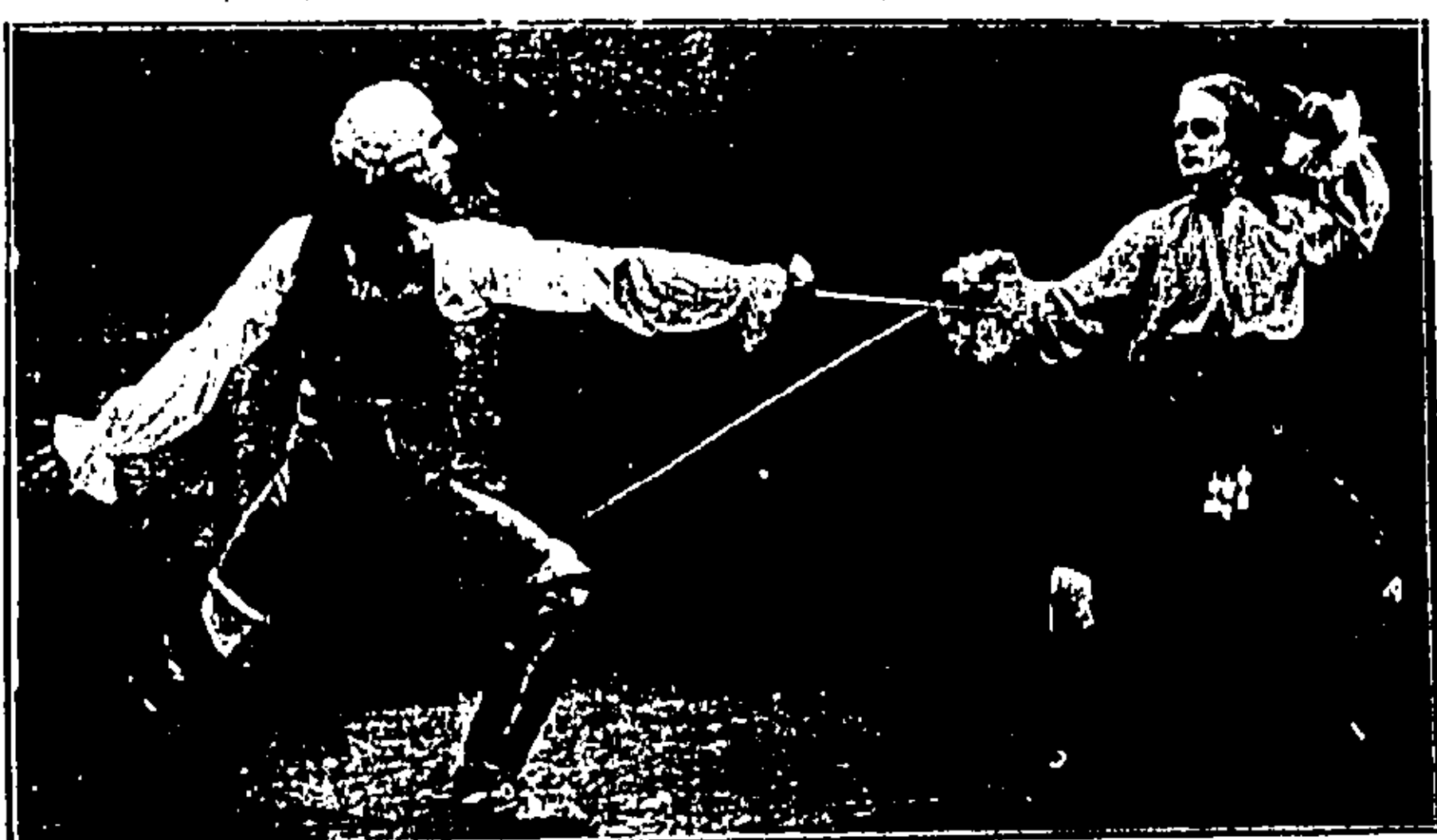
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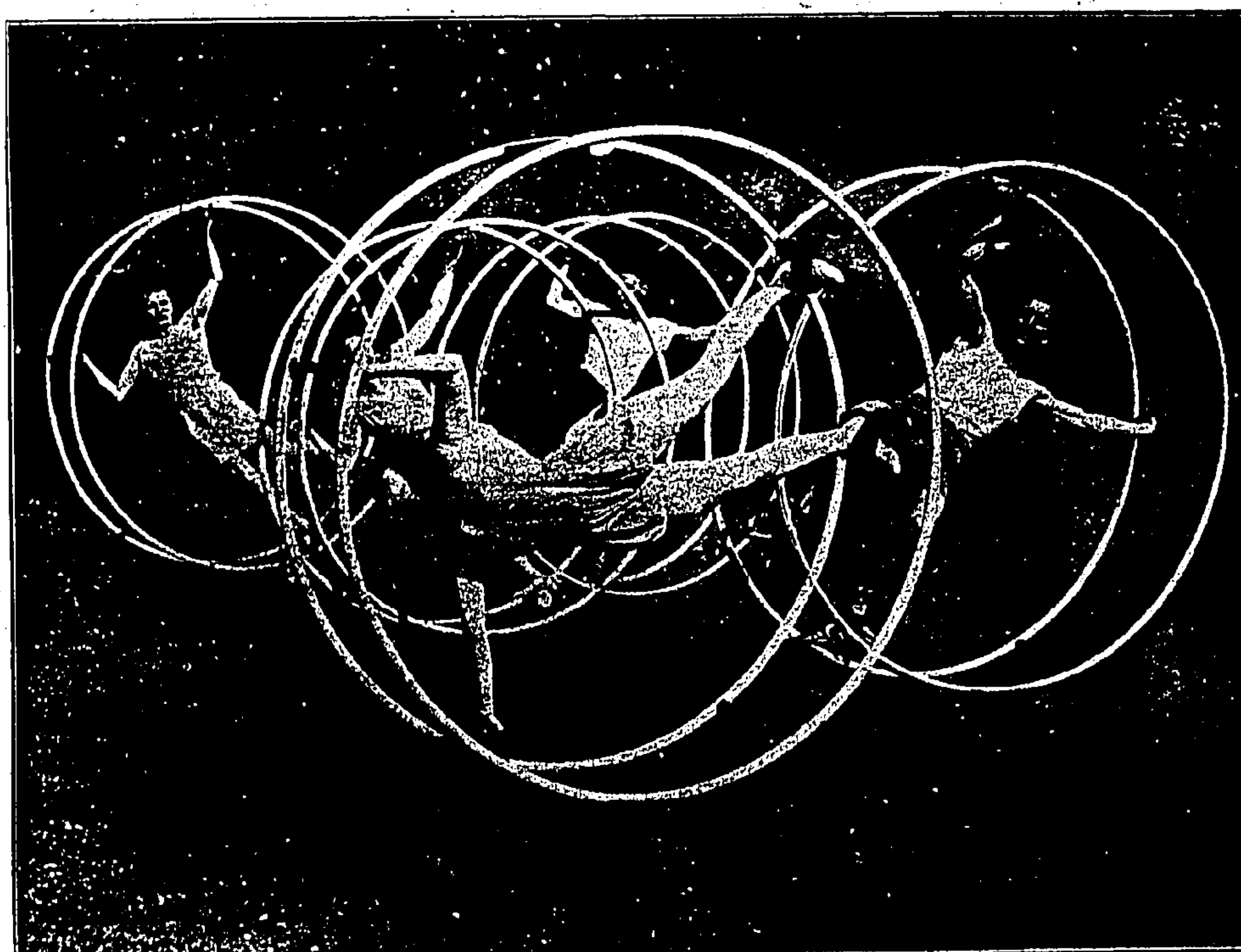
OUR HOMESIDE PICTURE SERVICE.



SUCCESSFUL GERMAN ATLANTIC FLIERS ON GREENLY ISLAND.—The crew and the plane on the pond on Greenly Island where they landed. L. to R.:—Dr. Louis Cuisinier, Duke Schiller (both of whom flew to aid the fliers) Baron Guenther Von Huenefeld, Major Fitzmaurice (who accompanied the airmen from Ireland) and Capt. Hermann Koehl.—(Sport and General).



ACTRESS TAKES FENCING LESSONS TO PERFECT HER PART.—Miss Evelyn Laye, the popular actress, who is taking the part of "Nancy" in the musical play "Blue Eyes," at the Piccadilly theatre, London, takes daily fencing lessons for an hour, under the tutelage of Mr. Bertrand. Here Miss Evelyn Laye and Mr. Barry Livesay as "Captain Pickering of the Dragoons" rehearse their duel.—(Sport and General).



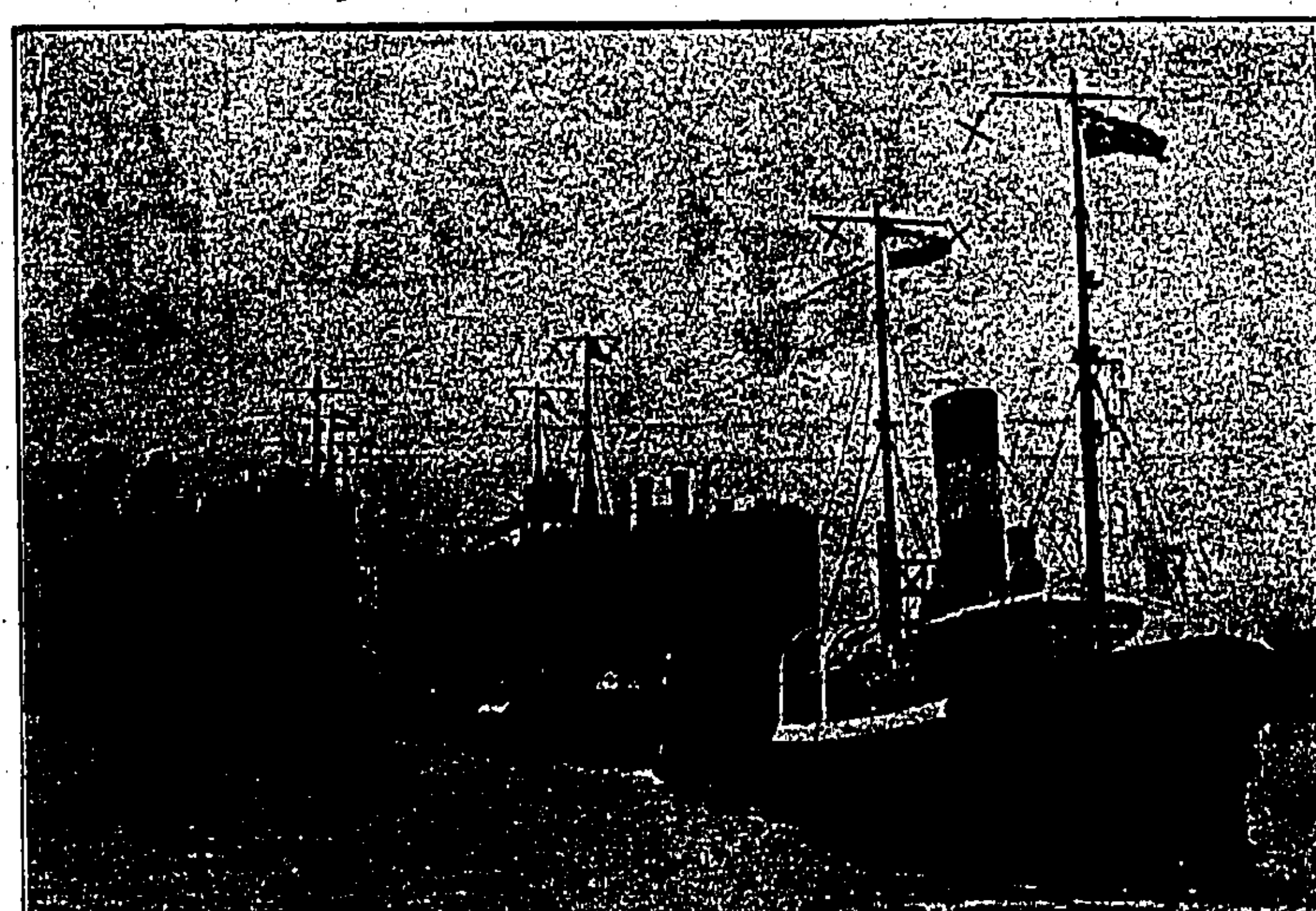
A-WHIRLING ON THE AERO WHEEL.—Athletes in Regents Park, London, gave a thrilling demonstration of the aero wheel, a new gymnastic appliance approved after tests, by the British Army gymnastic branch. The apparatus is a light double-rimmed wheel which runs along the ground, the athletes being strapped by the feet to one rim, and holding grips which fasten the rims together.—(Sport and General).



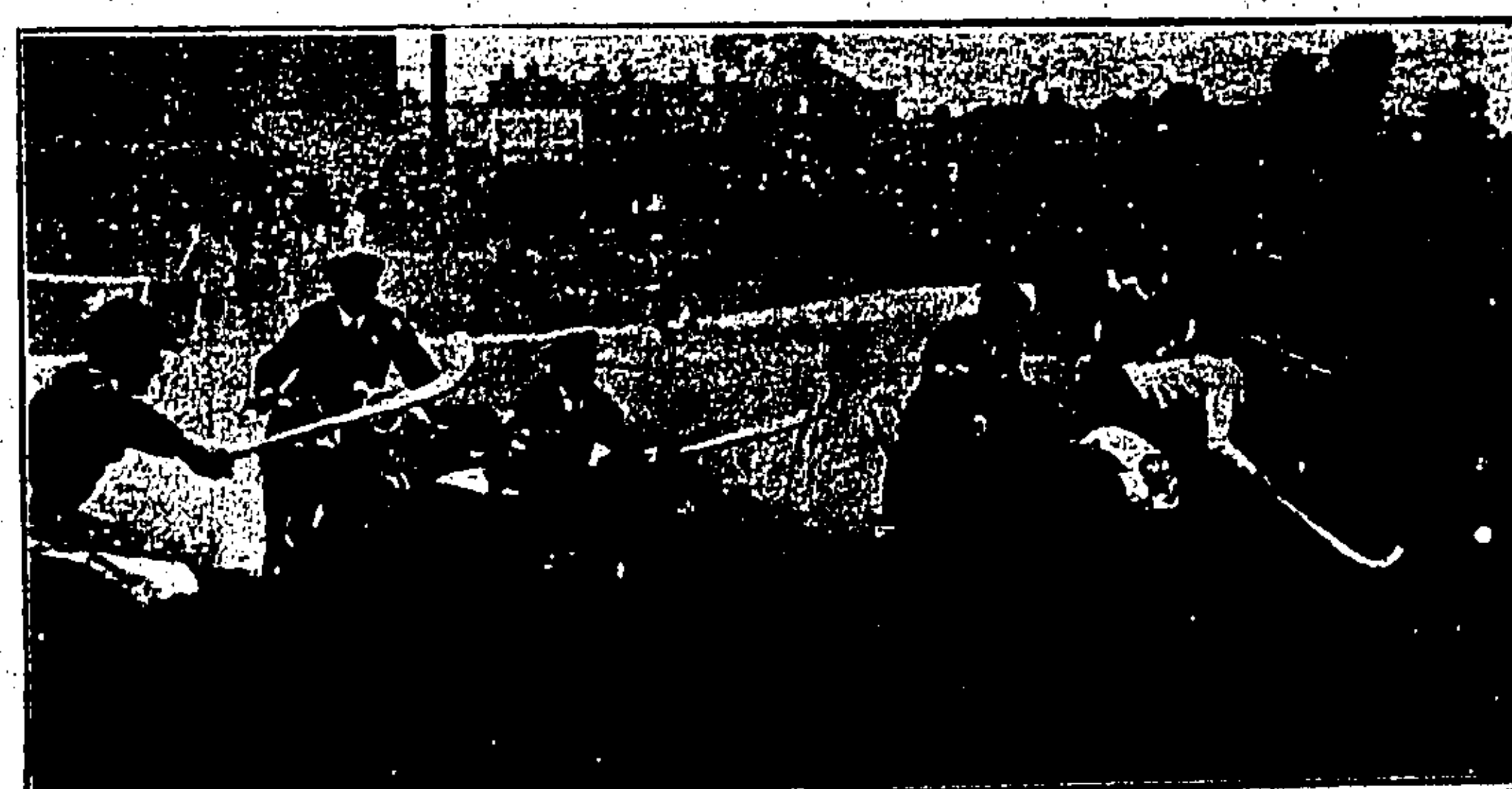
THE CHILDREN'S DELIGHT IN A TOY MOTOR DERBY.—A race for children's toy motors, including fast models, took place on a miniature Brooklands track in London, recently. The winner being vociferously cheered by his fellow competitors after the race. — (Sport and General).



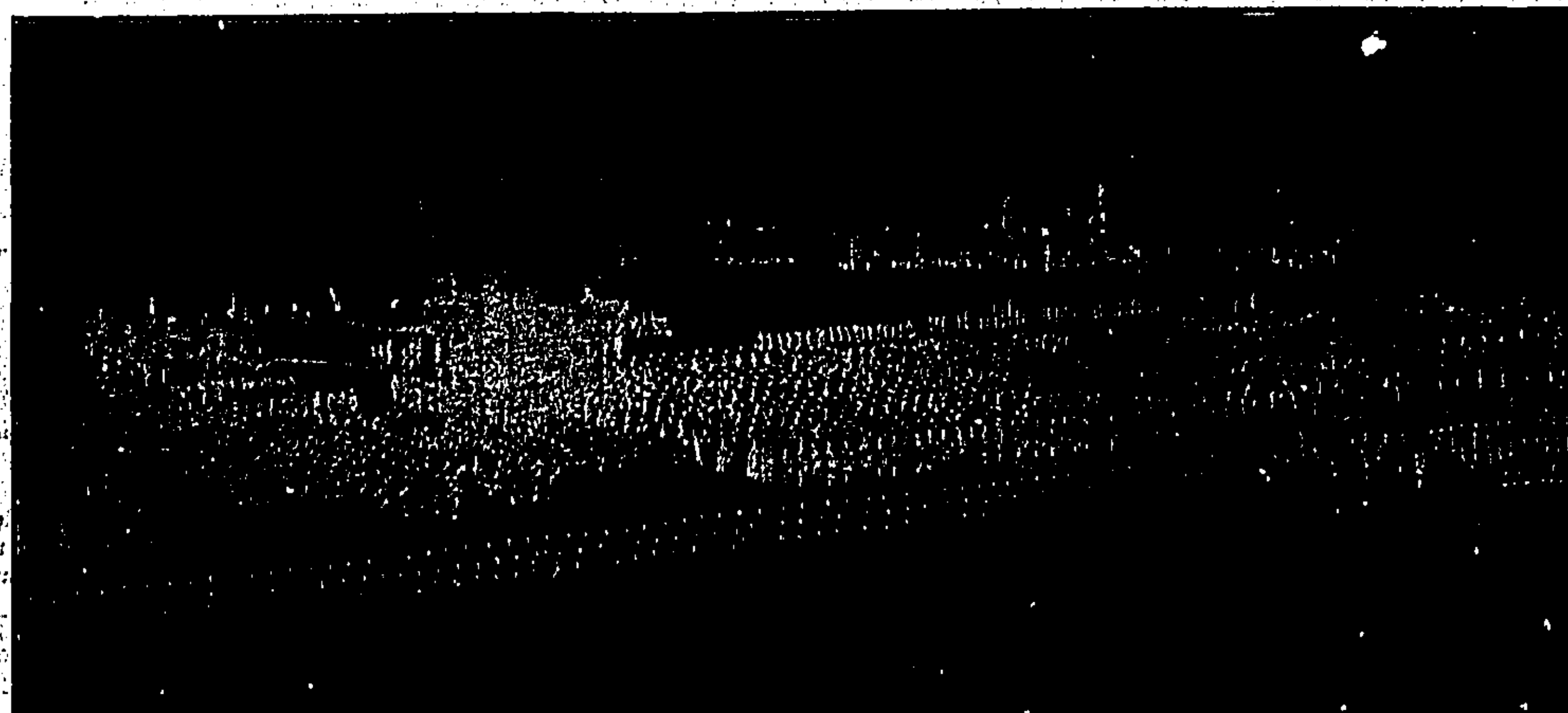
WORLD'S MOST FAMOUS RACE MEETING, ON EPSOM DOWNS, SURREY.—The finish of the Oaks Stakes, which was won by Lord Derby's Toboggan (T. Weston up) from H.M. the King's Scuttle (the favourite for the race), who was beaten by four lengths.—(Sport and General).



FIRST SECTION OF THE 50,000 TONS FLOATING DOCK FOR THE SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.—Four of the most powerful tugs of a Dutch towage firm are being used to take the dock to Singapore. The complete dock will accommodate the largest warships.—(Sport and General).



SPORTS ON MOTOR CYCLES.—The Woolwich, Plumstead and District Motor Club held a motor cycle gymkhana on the Charlton football ground, Charlton, Kent, recently. Plumstead are seen breaking through the Woolwich defence in the motor cycle hockey match.—(Sport and General).



MODEL FOR HONG KONG.—The Aldershot Grand Military Tattoo, night picture of the brilliant spectacle, which took place on June 21, attended by the King and Queen. The grand finale of the Tattoo.—(Sport and General).

CHINA'S TREATY.

DEVELOPMENTS IN SEVERAL DIRECTIONS.

THE INTERIM REGULATIONS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

According to a despatch from Nanking, the Nationalist Government has announced the termination of the Sino-Spanish, Sino-Portuguese, Sino-Italian, and Sino-Danish Treaties, to the nationals of which countries the seven interim regulations now apply, pending the conclusion of new treaties.—Reuter.

NEGOTIATIONS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The "Sin Wan Pao" states that the Nationalist Foreign Ministry has instructed the Chinese Minister at Lisbon to open negotiations for the revision of the Sino-Portuguese Treaty, while the Chinese Minister at Copenhagen reports the willingness of Denmark to appoint a delegate to revise the Sino-Danish Treaty.

Kiukiang, Yesterday.

About 2,000 troops of the Nationalist 6th Army (supporting Nanking and opposed to Hankow) have arrived here from further down the Yangtze.—British Naval Wireless.

[Note: Kiukiang is 252 miles above Nanking and 142 miles below Hankow.]

Shanghai, Yesterday.

The Foreign Ministry to-day is handing the Japanese Consul at Nanking a note addressed to the Japanese Minister at Peking, the terms of which are believed to be similar to the French and Italian notes, and is also cabling the note to the Chinese Minister at Tokyo for delivery to the Japanese Foreign Office.—Reuter.

JAPAN'S VIEW.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

Discussing the question of Japan's attitude in the event of China notifying its intention of abrogating the treaty, which is fully expected, a Foreign Office spokesman intimated that no notice of it will be taken for the time being, but instead Japan will await China's next move, though possibly the Consul-General at Shanghai or Peking will make informal protest, emphasizing that it is impossible for Japan to consider abrogation as clause 26 of the present treaty automatically provided renewal until October, 1936, as revision was not affected within the half of the year stipulated. On the other hand, if China asks for revision, Japan will willingly consider the request, and will refer the matter to the Cabinet Council, after which a reply will be sent.—Reuter.

CONSUL REFUSES.

Peking, Yesterday.

Mr. Yoshizawa, the Japanese Minister, has received a communication from the Japanese Consul at Nanking stating that the Nationalist Government had handed him a note saying that as the three months' extension granted by the late Peking Government for negotiations of the Sino-Japanese treaty expired on July 20, the seven regulations governing the modus vivendi for the interim period, must apply to Japanese residing in China.

The Consul refused formally to receive the note on the ground that the contents were quite unacceptable to Japan, but finally agreed to transmit to the Japanese Legation the fact that the note had been submitted to him and apparently wiring the contents or the gist unofficially.

It is understood that the Japanese Legation under the orders of Tokyo, will promptly notify Nanking that as the new treaty was not negotiated within six months from October, 1929, it automatically continues for a further decade.—Reuter.

LAND REGULATIONS.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

According to a report from Nanking, the Ministry of the Interior has circularized the Provincial and Civil Affairs Departments instructing them to announce and enforce the provisional regulations governing the lease of land and buildings by foreign missionaries in the provinces; also to enforce the interim regulations governing the relations between China and Foreign Governments after the termination of existing treaties and pending the conclusion of new ones.

The provisional land regulations promulgated are as follows:—

Firstly, all foreign missionaries who are permitted by treaty agreements to establish mission stations and open hospitals and schools in the interior of China may lease land, and construct or rent buildings for mission purposes.

Secondly, when so doing they shall in conjunction with the owner of the property first report the transactions to the local authorities and obtain permission therefor.

Thirdly, when the area of land to be leased, or the number and size of the buildings to be rented, constructed, or purchased, exceeds the requirement of the mission, the local authorities shall not be permitted to approve the transactions.

Fourthly, whenever the land of the building rented, etc., shall be discovered to have been utilized for profit or commercial purposes, the local authorities shall stop such enterprises or declare the contract of lease invalid.

Fifthly, all existing transactions are to be reported to the local authorities. In cases where the title of the land was purchased by the foreign mission, the said mission shall be recorded the rights of a lessee.

Sixthly, these regulations shall come into effect from the date of the promulgation, i.e. to-day.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI'S COURT.

Shanghai, Yesterday.

Two cases came before the Provisional Court this afternoon for hearing at which the Italian Consular official, Dr. Ramondino, should have sat with the Chinese Judge.

Dr. Ramondino attended court and was in chambers when the judges reported to him that the court had received a despatch from Nanking announcing the expiry of the Sino-Italian Treaty and they therefore suggested that Dr. Ramondino should not sit.

It is understood that Dr. Ramondino assented on the understanding that the cases should be postponed.

The Chinese judge subsequently announced in open court that the cases had been postponed because the Italian deputy was no longer allowed to sit.—Reuter.

NANKING CONDITIONS.

Peking, Yesterday.

An American official who investigated the conditions in the American Consulate at Nanking on July 6 found the tennis courts being used as a drill ground and the Consulate as a barracks. A hundred soldiers were quartered there. The building was badly damaged, there being holes in the ceiling and floors and practically no furniture was visible. Windows were missing and human excreta littered the floors and passages. Altogether much must be done before the Consular officials can re-inhabit the building if the soldiers can be induced to leave.

It is understood that the situation at the British Consulate is equally bad. The Consulate is being used as a cemetery for Chinese soldiers. The Vice-Consular residence is still being used as a barracks while the Asiatic Petroleum Co. residence is used as a stable for the horses.—Reuter.

LI CHAI-SUM.

Peking, Yesterday.

Marshal Li Chai-sum of Canton called at the British Legation and held a two-hours' conversation with Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister.—Reuter.

H.K.V.D.C. "PROM."

LAST NIGHT'S CONCERT A SUCCESS.

In almost every respect last night's promenade concert, on the Volunteer Parade Ground, was a success. There was a satisfactory audience, and the programme was very much enjoyed. It is to be hoped that other similar concerts will be arranged during the hot weather.

The various items played by the Borderers' Band were well selected, "William Tell," German's "Three Dances," "Lilac Time" and the "Gondoliers" selection being received with applause. The concert solo was an outstanding and pleasing feature.

Mrs. O. C. Womack sang, to the Band's accompaniment, and acquitted her difficult part admirably. "The Heart of a Rose" and Jocelyn's exquisite "Berceuse" were her contributions to which, in response to a demand for an encore, she sang two of Dorothy Foster's lovely songs. Even with so unusual an accompaniment and in the open Mrs. Womack's beautiful soprano was distinctly heard. Needless to say, her singing was very highly enjoyed.

The "Aloha Septette" by members of the Portuguese Co. provided pleasing variety in their contributions, playing and singing in typical Hawaiian style.

The "prom," was merely slightly marred by a shower, which, luckily, passed away quickly.

WATER RATIONING.

Mr. R. M. Henderson, the Water Authority, informed the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D. (member of the Legislative Council) and Mr. Li Yau-tsun (chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese General Chamber of Commerce), who called on him yesterday, that six more street fountains will be erected shortly and that men of the Public Works Department would be sent out to ensure the full two hours' supply through the rider mains.

Mr. Li Yau-tsun's suggestion that water be transported from Wanchai and the mainland to the central and western districts, as was done some thirty years ago, has to be referred to higher authorities.

Dr. Kotewall and Mr. Li made the call in response to a large number of complaints by the Chinese against water rationing.

TOTALISATOR.

MONOPOLY COMPLAINT BY THE SOCIALISTS.

EPSOM DIFFICULTIES.

By having an afternoon sitting the Standing Committee of the House of Commons which is considering the Racecourse Betting Bill, was able, to make some little progress, but there is still a formidable array of amendments to be disposed of. The bill, which was introduced by Major Glyn (U. Abingdon), authorises the introduction of the totalisator on racecourses approved by the Control Board.

Mr. Hayday (Lab.-Soc. Nottingham, W.) proposed that the totalisator should be confined to parts of racecourses to which the public have not an unrestricted right of access. He protested that by imposing prohibitive fees the Jockey Club would give a monopoly to four or five of the richest bookmakers. In the interests of the public he wanted the totalisator to be restricted to places where people had to pay in order to resort for the purpose of betting.

Sir G. Hume-Williams (U. Bassetlaw) expressed surprise that a member of the Labour party should propose to deprive the poorest class of the opportunity of taking advantage of the totalisator by confining it to places to which payment for admission was demanded.

Mr. Compton (Lab.-Soc. Gorton) pointed out that the report of those asked by the Jockey Club Committee to inquire whether there was any difficulty in installing machines, &c., on racecourses was to the effect that out of forty-seven courses thirty offered no difficulty, eleven offered difficulties which could be got over without much trouble, and the remaining six presented difficulties which did not, however, appear insurmountable. Epsom was included in the last category, because at the summer meetings an immense crowd, apparently uncontrolled, spread over a large area of common land. The committee considered, however, that if power was obtained to enclose more land on the Downs there would be no reason why Epsom should not be adapted to the system.

Epsom, consequently, Mr. Compton declared, was outside the purview of the totalisator, so that it was no use talking about the machine being open to the poorest. In the case of Newmarket, the Jockey Club were told that the cost of installing the totalisator on the two courses would be from £30,000 to £35,000. Further, it had been suggested that in the case of small meetings the pari-mutuel system might be substituted. In addition, there was a portable totalisator machine likely to be brought out at a cost of £3,000 or £4,000. In view of that information, Mr. Compton declared further examination of the whole question was necessary.

Major Glyn explained that there was no proposal that the Epsom Racecourse Company should take over further land at Epsom. Permission would have to be got from the Common landowners to put down a cable to connect the power house and the points on the Downs where offices were established at which people could go and get their money. There would be no encroachment on the rights of the public with regard to the use of the Downs by the erection of permanent buildings. All that was wanted was merely a small platform to which cable connection was made, and which would be removed when racing was over.

The discussion was closed and the amendment defeated by 23 votes to 13.

MILITARY FUNERAL.

Full military honours were observed yesterday at the funeral of Private Christopher Foley, of "B" Company, 1st Batt. Queen's Royal Regiment, at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Happy Valley. Deceased succumbed in the Military Hospital, Bowen-road, yesterday morning, after an attack of double pneumonia. He was 34 years of age and leaves a sister in Canada. The battalion band attended as did "B" Company which provided the firing party. The Rev. Pere Sotti conducted the service. Lt.-Col. Ponsonby, commanding officer, attended.

During a Rugby match at Christchurch (N.Z.) recently Mr. J. Turpin dislocated his cervical vertebrae. He was operated on at the public hospital and the vertebrae were successfully manipulated back into position. The patient is doing well.

Addressing a public meeting at Wellington (N.Z.), Mr. Coates, the Prime Minister, declared that he had no hesitation in saying that the outlook for New Zealand was bright and that the clouds were dispersing. There was, he said, no room for pessimism.

CINEMA NOTES.

FINAL SCREENINGS FOR TO-DAY.

"HOTEL IMPERIAL."

A remarkable picture of War, yet with the actual scenes of battle suggested rather than pictured, "Hotel Imperial" brings its season to a close to-day at the Queen's Theatre. Pola Negri is the leading player in this vivid story of the reactions of war's grim realities on the minds and conduct of individuals who act as pawns of nations in conflict. Some remarkable camera effects have been introduced in this picture which came under the direction of Mauritz Stiller, a famous Swedish producer.

WORLD THEATRE.

Jetta Goudal, Robert Ames and Clive Brook are the leading players in "Three Faces East" a thrilling story of love, espionage and the Secret Service, which will have its final showings at the World Theatre to-day. The picture has all the elements of swift dramatic action, thrills and heart appeal.

STAR THEATRE.

"The Music Master," which also is being shown to-day for the last time at the Star Theatre is an appealing story of an old musician who gives up a brilliant career in search of his lost wife and her betrayer. Alec B. Francis gives a remarkable performance as the musician, while Lois Moran, as his daughter is sweetly pretty and gives excellent support in her difficult role.

VIA THE POLE.

NEW AIR ROUTE TO FAR EAST.

The possibility that, in the future, the regular air route from Europe to the Far East will pass over the North Pole, was referred to by Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary of State for Air, speaking at a luncheon given to Captain George Wilkins and Lieutenant Eielson in London.

"The distance between England and Japan," stated Sir Samuel, "is about 6,500 miles by the route over the North Pole, as compared with more than 11,000 miles by the ordinary flying routes of to-day. Who shall say that with the development of the airship and the aeroplane, the Polar regions may not in the future become a regular and accepted route of swift travel between West and East?"

Capt. Wilkins and Lieut. Eielson had set themselves the task of crossing the Polar Sea from Alaska to Spitzbergen by a new route. For three-quarters of their journey they had never been seen by any man.

The weather and visibility had been bad. At one time the temperature had been 50 degrees below zero, at another the worst storm that Spitzbergen had ever endured at that season of the year had broken upon them. Yet they had continuously carried out their observations and in the space of twenty flying hours completed their adventure.

MEDIUM EXPOSED.

"SPIRIT GIRL" WHOSE BRACES WERE VISIBLE.

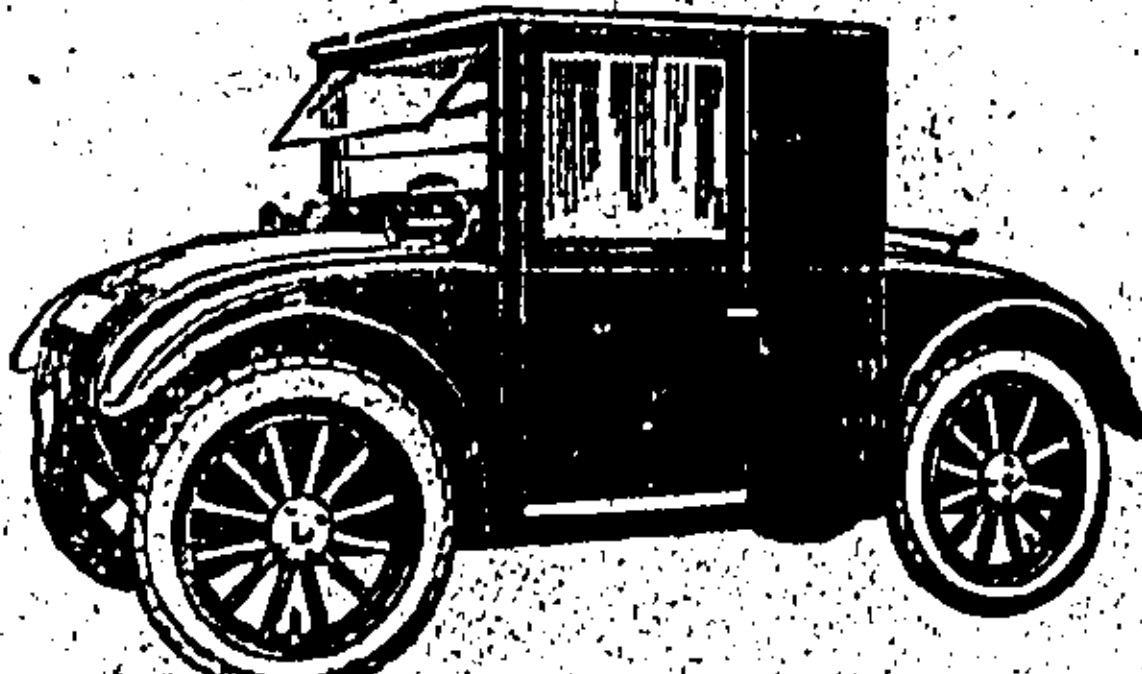
Paris, June 19.

There was a dramatic climax to a series of spiritualist seances at Nantes, which, it is stated, attracted attention from as far as Australia, America, and Japan.

A journalist, seizing a supposed spirit girl, whom the mother was about to embrace, found it to be the substantial body of the famous medium, Balle, who was supposed in a trance. He declares that he saw Balle's braces underneath a transparent robe, before flashing his electric torch.

A scene followed, 20 persons attacking the journalist, who escaped with bruises and torn clothes.

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Answers to To-day's Questions.

1. The Greek god of war.
2. The Asiatic Petroleum Company.
3. An amber-like substance, used for pipes, jewellery, etc.
4. 480.
5. A pointed Turkish rowing skiff used on the Bosphorus.
6. Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G.

Shadows Before

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

To-day—Queen's Theatre: "Hotel Imperial."

To-day—World Theatre: "Three Faces East."

To-day—Star Theatre: "The Music Master."

July 22-23—World Theatre: "The Show Off."

July 22-23—Star Theatre: "Hell's High Road."

July 22-24—Queen's Theatre: "Frisco Sally Levy."

July 24-25—World Theatre: "Forty Winks."

July 24-25—Star Theatre: "The Coming of Amos."

July 25-28—Queen's Theatre: "Sorrows of Satan."

July 25-28—World Theatre: "Mark of Zorro."

July 26-28—Star Theatre: "Love 'Em and Leave 'Em."

Lammerts' Auctions.

July 24—At Sales Room, 4 & 4A, Duddell-st., valuable household furniture, etc., 2.30 p.m.

August 2—At Auction Rooms, 4, Duddell-st., the steamship "Gorjistan," noon.

Meeting.

July 23—H.K.V.D.C. Sports Committee meeting at Headquarters, 5.45 p.m.

Lieut.-Colonel David A. Clark, Assistant Deputy Minister of Health, died suddenly at Ottawa while listening to a wireless concert. Dr. Clark had recently completed a tour of Great Britain in connection with the medical examination of emigrants to Canada.

It is officially stated in Moscow that there is no truth in reports to the effect that the Soviet Government has forbidden Greek ships to enter Russian Black Sea ports. All foreign ships, it is added, may freely enter Soviet ports.

Leicester Corporation Electricity Department report a surplus of £41,000.

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It will give satisfaction to lovers of historic England to know that beautiful Ashridge, the famous Hertfordshire seat of the Dukes of Bridgewater, has been saved for public use owing to the generosity of a friend of the late Mr. Bonar Law.

It is understood that this magnificent mansion, equipped and partially endowed, has been offered to, and accepted by, the Conservative party for the purpose of an educational centre and training college so as to form a lasting memorial to the late Mr. Bonar Law.

In the course of an interview, Mr. J. C. C. Davidson, M.P., chairman of the Conservative party organisation, said:

"It would be difficult to find words in which to express one's gratitude for this magnificent gift which has been made to the Conservative party. I can imagine no more fitting memorial to our great leader, Mr. Bonar Law, than an educational centre the purpose of which will be to inculcate those ideals and principles which he pursued with unwavering fidelity.

The rapid growth of the electorate has given rise to many problems which can only be solved by the development of political education. As the Prime Minister said recently, democracy is on its trial, and it is for us of this generation to make democracy safe for the world.

The best means to that end will be found in education, and it is on this account that this most generous gift cannot fail to be of inestimable value.

In selecting the mansion for this purpose the donor had regard not only to its suitability for conversion into an educational college, but was animated also by a desire to safeguard the house and the grounds by which it is surrounded against the encroachment of the builder. Some of the most beautiful gardens in the country occupy a portion of the eighty acres which are included in the gift.

These gardens have proved a great attraction to thousands of people at week-ends during the last few summers, and under the new regime the privilege of visiting them will be continued. It is not possible to name a date when Ashridge House will be available for the reception of students, but certain structural alterations and its equipment for the purpose to which it is to be devoted will necessarily require some little time. The work is to be put in hand forthwith.

PARTS ACQUIRED FOR NATION.

The present mansion of Ashridge, beautifully situated on a lofty ridge 640 ft. above sea level, was designed by James Wyatt, and commenced in 1808, being completed under the direction of his nephew, Sir Jeffrey Wyattville, of

Windsor Castle fame, six years later.

Ashridge has a history going back through many centuries. Here Edmund, Earl of Cornwall, founded a monastery for the Bonhommes at "Ashridge beside Barcanstede;" here Edward I. spent Christmas in 1290, and held a Parliament; here Queen Elizabeth lived as a princess while her sister Mary was on the throne; and here she was arrested and removed to the Tower after Sir Thomas Wyatt's rebellion. James I. gave the estate to Lord Chancellor Egerton, from whom it descended through the Earls and Dukes of Bridgewater to the late Earl Brownlow.

It was on the death of the third and last Earl Brownlow in 1921 that the great estate of Ashridge Park, running to many thousands of acres, first came into the market. Since that time a series of sales has taken place. The public have been interested chiefly in the efforts put forth to preserve for all time a considerable portion of the beautiful estate. Two or three years ago nearly 1,700 acres, including part of the park and a stretch of land between Ivyhoe Beacon and Berkhamsted Common, was secured by the National Trust. Last year a further 165 acres, taking in Frithden Beches and part of Aldbury Common, passed under the care of the same body.

The climax of the break-up of the Ashridge estate was reached last November, when, as recorded in the "Daily Telegraph" at the time, a client of Messrs. Hampton and Sons purchased 10,500 acres, including the house and park. Less than a month ago those agents announced that, with Messrs. Loftis and Warner, they had resold over 8,700 acres, Messrs. John D. Wood and Co. having bought for a client the mansion and 1,200 acres. The last-mentioned firm's instructions to take immediate steps to resell the property acquired have had their sequel in the provision of the new political training centre for the Conservative party.

While changing the destination board on the top of his bus, William Le Court, a conductor, fractured his skull by striking the railway bridge in Silver-street, Edmonton.

Jewellery valued at £100 was stolen from the window of a shop in Lordship-lane, East Dulwich, by a man who drove off in a motorcar.

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ALL-ROUND PROGRESS REPORTED LAST YEAR.

A NEW RECORD.

The year was one of all round progress, states the F.M.S. Chief Secretary in his 1927 report, referring to the Forestry Department. The surplus of revenue over expenditure was the highest on record, and schemes of development connected with the exploitation of the forests, and with research and education are gradually being brought into force.

Labour conditions improved during the year, but not soon enough to enable the department to supply the railway with its full quota of sleepers without unduly raising the price of other classes of timber. Large numbers of sleepers had therefore to be imported from Australia. At the end of the year, thanks partly to the prohibition of the most durable hardwoods, the situation was very much easier; sleepers were coming in freely, and the stocks of timber in the hands of dealers were probably larger than they had ever been before. The improved labour conditions resulting from the fall in the price of rubber also enabled the department to recruit a fairly adequate Malay labour force for urgent silvicultural work.

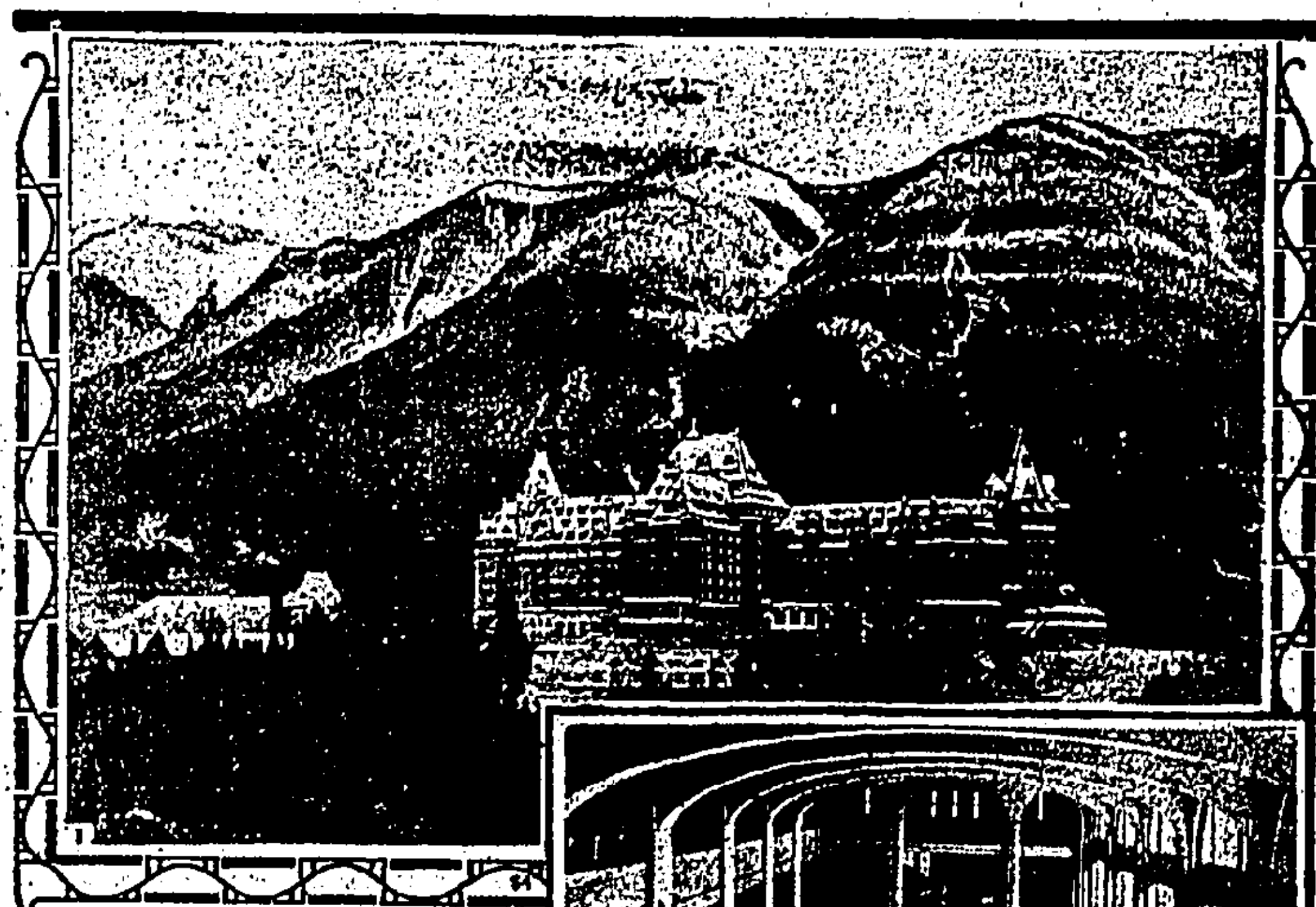
Timber Industries. The Timber Industries Committee continued its sittings throughout the year. The experimental wood-preservation plant, which was installed on its recommendation, was brought into use at the end of August, and by the end of the year had yielded information which in the opinion of the Committee justified the purchase of a commercial plant to be installed in conjunction with a modern sawmill in the Palong Reserve, where large-scale experiments in the extraction of timber with modern mechanical appliances are already being carried out under the supervision of the newly appointed logging engineer. It is particularly satisfactory to be able to record that local Malays are proving apt pupils, and are rapidly becoming proficient in the use of modern tools and machinery.

A new industry, namely, the manufacture of veneers and plywood, was started at a factory at Rantau Panjang on the site formerly occupied by Malayan Matches Ltd. The company expected to start producing early in 1928. The wood distillation plant at Krambit, which suffered so severely from flood, damage and isolation, was again working in July, and continued for the rest of the year, though not at full pressure.

There are indications, a Washington message states that the immigration quotas for the fiscal year would be practically exhausted. Great Britain and Northern Ireland have used up all but 213 of their quota and the Irish Free State has used its entire quota.

Walton-on-Thames and Weybridge Gas Company are lowering the price of gas by 4½d per 1,000 cubic feet.

Mountain Resort Acquires New Charms



1.—None in its world is the Banff Springs Hotel. 2.—An interior view of the new swimming pool built in the hotel.

Acknowledged by the most discriminating as the finest resort hotel on the American continent the Banff Springs Hotel, opened by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company on May 16, inaugurates a new era for visitors to the Rocky Mountains. This internationally famous center has been in process of rebuilding during the past two winter seasons and now stands complete, magnificent as to construction and furnishings and beyond compare as to beauty of surroundings.

The Banff Springs Hotel is so constructed as to blend, in the beauty of its architecture, with the snow-capped peaks of the mountain range. Built of native stone quarried from the base of Mount

Rundle and trimmed with Tyndal stone from Manitoba the building itself, compares with all the tenets of dignity and good taste.

The Banff Springs provides accommodation for 1,100 guests, and contains 600 bedrooms with baths in addition to a large number of suites of marked beauty and comfort. The layout of the public rooms and lounges has been carefully thought out, and these rooms are especially appealing in point of design and richness of furnishings. The main lounges are things of beauty in themselves and the view, down the valley of the Bow

River, is alone worth a trip to Banff.

The building of this great hotel or rather the rebuilding, has been going forward for several years but the construction work has not interfered with the comfort of the summer guests. The work has been carried on during the winter months. Enormous wooden shells were erected and heated throughout with steam, and the work done with the same ease as if at the height of summer. It is interesting to note in this connection that this system of construction involved a monthly consumption of coal of more than 700 tons.

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Sport Columns

WINGFIELD SCULLS.

EX-CAMBRIDGE BLUE WINS.

London, Yesterday. The Wingfield Sculls, championship on the Thames from Putney to Mortlake was won by the ex-Cambridge blue, T. Collet, who beat D. Guye (London Club) by eight lengths.

Collet represents England at Amsterdam.—Reuter.

[Mr. T. D. A. Collet won the Wingfield Sculls last year.]

DAVIES CUP FINAL.

AMERICA LEADING ITALY.

Paris, Yesterday. In the Davis Cup Inter-zone final Hunter beat Gaslini (Italy) 6-1, 6-1, 6-0 and Hennessy (America) beat Morpurgo (Italy) 6-4, 7-5, 6-2.—Reuter.

IN THE RING.

THE WELTER-WEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

[By Eugene Corri.]

On Monday, at Perry Bar, Birmingham, we are to see Jack Hood and Alf Mancini fight for the welter-weight championship—a most intriguing fight and one that is not without pliancy, for the two have been reared in the same stable. It is not necessary for me to tell you that they should have settled their little differences as to who is top-dog some time ago at the National Sporting Club. When, for reasons I do not propose to enlarge upon, they did not meet at Covent Garden I feared that we should be denied the privilege of seeing them in the ring.

But a fight between them was bound to come sooner or later: it was vital and only fair that Mancini should have an opportunity of making good his claim that he was a better welter than Hood, his friend. I hope the expectations that the contest will be ample compensation for the disappointments which we have recently suffered will be realised. Whatever the result, Mancini and Hood have it in them to give a necessary fillip to the game. Both are fine boxers. Hood, I feel, has not yet revealed the full extent of his capacity. I consider him to be better than he has shown himself to be. Well, if he beats Mancini there should be no limit to what he may accomplish in the future.

A WORTHY FIGHT.

The London Italian may not be so stylish, nor yet so clever, but I know few at his weight more difficult to hit, especially when in the mood. It is claimed for Mancini that he has the heavier punch: I do not know. I can only say that when Hood first took us by the ears he did so by reason of his wallow. When I first saw him at the Club I was much taken up by his right hand. Since then, however, he has seldom employed it to the full.

This is in favour of Hood—he has a most excellent defence and has the headpiece of a real fighter. I am not for predicting the result; I will only say that I feel that it will be an entirely worthy fight, and one that should recall the halcyon days of Birmingham. If it does not remind the old 'uns of Jabez White, Owen Moran, and the rest of a very famous school, I shall be disappointed. I have had most encouraging reports from the respective training quarters.

A DISAPPOINTING DISPLAY.

What must be said of Maxie Rosenbloom now? To beat Roland Todd in the way he did at Premierland was not worthy of a man who is represented to be near to a world's wonder. It was a very poor bout, and I cannot agree that there is much that is exceptional about the American. He left most of those who turned up to see him perform cold. It may be that Rosenbloom was not anxious to reveal his real hand. But his business was to show exactly what he could do. The fact that Todd went all the way with him does not enhance the American boxer's reputation, neither is it an achievement that will take him any nearer to a return contest with Tommy Milligan. As a matter of fact, his showing against Todd was all getting what he says in his heart's desire.

A WINNER!

Milligan, by the way, is to be commended for his immediate acceptance of the challenge by Len Harvey, whose \$500 has been covered by the Scot.

At the moment articles have not been signed, but that is a matter that will be more or less automatic. As for Milligan, he is not particular where the match is staged. London will suit him just as well as Edinburgh or Glasgow. This is a match that promises to be a winner for any promoter. There is no doubt that Milligan's stock has appreciated no end; and Harvey has not only got a considerable following, but there is much money behind him. This is a match decidedly to have.

For the time being, Ireland must rest on his oars. If I had been in his shoes, however, I should have been out with a challenge to Milligan immediately after his brother Scott's fight with Rosenbloom. Ireland cannot be content to go through his days with the knowledge that he came to be the recognised middle-weight champion because he won on a foul. However, that is Ireland's business; I take it that he knows best. It is sufficient that we are to see Harvey and Milligan in the ring in the immediate future.

PHIL SCOTT'S FUTURE.

Now that Johnny Curley is home from a most successful sojourn in Australia, there is a likelihood of him being matched with Harry Corbett, that is, if Curley can really do the feather-weight limit. And maybe we shall soon be hearing of the plans of Teddy Baldock, whose doctor, it is said, has passed him as fit. And with the return of Phil Scott, cannot something be done to pave the way for a fight for him before he goes back to America? I know that just now there is rather a slump; this is not the time of the year for the launching of big ventures, but all the same there must be a large public anxious to see the big fellow. At present, I am afraid, Scott must look to America for work.

And there, I understand, he will be given an early opportunity of turning the table on Hansen, an opportunity which, I am sure, Scott will keenly relish, for as long as he lives he will hold to the belief that he was more than unlucky when he fought the Dane. My information is that Scott is quite right in so believing. If I were him I should have a place at the ring-side when Heeney fights Tunney, for then he will have a shrewd idea that he can have at present as to what is expected of a man who has designs upon the heavy-weight title. The field is so barren at home that I can only think that America is the place for Scott.

Whatever happens to Heeney, Scott would be well advised to stick close to the heels of the New Zealander, and, of course, there is the rehabilitated Sharkey for Scott to concern himself about. If I were Scott I should take the view that if Heeney can force his way into a fight for the title I could do the same. The brothers Mortimer have written to say that Heeney has comfortably settled down in his training quarters, and is adding to the number of his admirers every day. The Mortimers are strong in the belief that the New Zealander will pull through. Heeney is certainly in good hands. And it is in this favour that he has won the Americans over to him almost to a man.—"Sports Dispatch."

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MORE MAGISTRATES.

LONDON'S OVERWORKED BENCH.

"JIX'S" DECISION.

The Home Secretary has definitely decided that additional police magistrates should be appointed for London, and has drawn up proposals which have been before the Treasury, as the question of increased expenditure is involved.

The matter of superannuation allowances to stipendiary magistrates has simultaneously been under consideration.

As long ago as 1839 the number of magistrates in the metropolis was fixed by the Metropolitan Police Courts Act at 27. Despite the growth of population, the coming of the motor-car, which has multiplied greatly the number of offenders to be dealt with, and the many new laws that have to be enforced, that number has not been increased. As a matter of fact there are to-day not 27, but 25 police magistrates, as was pointed out in a question addressed to Sir W. Joynson-Hicks in the House of Commons recently.

So heavy has the work become in London police-courts that the magistrates are almost unable to cope with it, and the fact that the Home Secretary has arrived at the decision that they must be reinforced will to them be welcome news.

Reply to M.P.

In the House of Commons Mr. Grotian asked the Home Secretary whether he was aware that the number of police magistrates now serving was two below the maximum fixed by statute, and whether he proposed to advise an increase of the number up to the maximum allowed.

Sir William Joynson-Hicks said this matter had been carefully considered by him for some time in conversation with the Treasury, and he hoped to be able to make an announcement at an early date.

MRS. PANKHURST.

MANY PROMINENT WOMEN AT THE GRAVESIDE.

London, June 18. Leaders of the women's movement, including Mrs. Baldwin, Lady Astor, Mrs. Despard, Mrs. Pethick Lawrence, Miss Laura Knight and Miss Flora Drummond attended the funeral service for Mrs. Emmeline Pankhurst, at St. John's, Westminster, close to the scene of the stormiest episode in the Suffragette campaign.

The mourners also included scores of elderly women, wearing brooches and symbols indicating that they had suffered imprisonment. Some were even wearing their old campaigning clothes. Touching scenes were witnessed at the graveside, in Brompton Cemetery, where Christabel and Sylvia Pankhurst watched the coffin lowered and a woman dipped a large purple, green, and white flag to the earth.

According to the census of 1926, 40.9 per cent. of farmers in the Prairie Provinces of Canada own automobiles; 34.8 per cent. then had telephones; 21 per cent. had tractors; 2.2 per cent. had auto-trucks, and 2.1 per cent. electric light.



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The Rev. H. T. Walters, Vicar of St. Peter's Church, Bishop Auckland, Durham, has been placed in a peculiar difficulty by the failure of a bride to arrive for her marriage.

The bridegroom and his friends were there in good time. During the wait in church Mr. Walters obtained the necessary particulars from the copies of the parish certificates presented to him by the bridegroom and filled in a Somerset House register form, and, it is alleged, duly signed it over a Government stamp. After an hour's wait the ceremony was abandoned.

The register, it is alleged, now includes the entry of a marriage which has not taken place, and Mr. Walters is in some doubt about the position.

Mr. Walters asked the bridegroom to try to find the bride by two o'clock in the afternoon, but at that hour neither bride nor bridegroom appeared at the church.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Yesterday.

Paris	124
New York	4.86 1/2
Brussels	34.91
Geneva	25.25
Amsterdam	12.09 1/2
Milan	92.80
Berlin	20.37
Stockholm	18.16
Copenhagen	18.19
Oslo	18.20
Vienna	34.49 1/2
Prague	164 1/2
Helsingfors	193 1/2
Madrid	29.42 1/2
Lisbon	2 3/16
Athens	376 1/2
Bucharest	795 1/2
Rio	5 59/64
Buenos Aires	47 3/13
Bombay	1/5 29/32
Shanghai	2/7 3/4
Hong Kong	2/0 3/4
Yokohama	1/10 21/32
Silver Spot	27 1/16
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On Paris—	
On demand	1247 1/2
Credit, 4 months' sight	—
On Berlin—	
On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	49
Credit, 60 days' sight	—
On Bombay—	
Wire	134 1/2
On demand	134 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	134 1/2
On demand	134 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	87
On Manila—	
On demand	98
On Shanghai—	
On demand	76 1/2
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Mercantile A. & R.	222 1/2 b
do.	230 n
P. & O. Bank	49 1/2 n
Bank of East Asia	97 1/2 b 74.85 a
Insurance	
Canton Insurance	3625 n
Union Insurance	3345 b
North China Insurance	1145 1/2 b
Yangtze Insurance	350 n
China Underwriters	32 1/2 n
China Fire Insurance	2240 b
H.K. Fire Insurance	3725 b
Shipping	
Douglas	330 1/2 b & a
H.K. Steamboats	327 1/2 n
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	32 n
Indo-China (Freight)	335 n
do.	370 n
Shell Transports	16 1/2 n
Water-works	220 1/2 b 20 1/2 a
Mining	
Benguet	31 1/2 n
Kailan Mining Ad.	60 n
Langkat (Combined)	112.20 n
do. (Single)	75.90 n
Shanghai Exploration	73.45 n
Shanghai Loans	73 1/2 n
Ranba	34.60 n
Tromps Mines	17 1/2 n
Public Utilities	
H.K. & W. Wharves	130 1/2 n
H.K. & W. Docks	340 n
China Providents	55 1/2 n
Hongkong	1156 n
New Engineering	75 n
Shanghai Docks	1107 1/2 n
Cotton Mills	
Ewo Cottons	33.80 n
Oriental Cottons	32 1/2 n
Shai Cottons (Old)	75 1/2 n
do. (New)	72 1/2 n
Land, Hotels & Bldgs.	
H.K. & S. Hotel	38.80 n
Hongkong Lands	360 1/2 n
Shanghai Lands	1138 n
Humphreys Estates	114.35 n
Hongkong Realities	38 n
H.K. Terraces	—
Prince's Buildings	—
Public Utilities	
H.K. Tramways	24.60 b 24.80 a
Peak Tram (old)	313 n
do. (new)	88 n
Star Ferry	364 1/2 n
China Lights (comb.)	—
do. (old)	111 1/2 n
do. (new)	111.05 n
do. 1928 issue	111.55 n
H.K. Electric	448 1/2 b 448 1/2 a
Electric (new)	347.35 n
Macro Electric	320 1/2 n
H.K. Telephones	35.90 b 36 n
China Buses	110.80 n
Singapore Tractions	11 1/2 n
do. Pref.	17 1/2 n
Industrial	
China Sugars	32 1/2 n
Maabon Sugars	32 1/2 n
Canton Ices	32.70 n
Cement (comb.)	30.35 n
do. (old)	38.40 n
do. (new)	31.55 n
H.E. Ropes (old)	36 1/2 n
do. (new)	36.40 n
United Asbestos	30 n
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Genghis Khan. By Harold Lamb.
(Thornton Butterworth, 10s.
6d.)

This excellent study of the most original of the nomad chieftains of the Middle Ages fills a notable vacancy, for the life by R. K. Douglas, being derived mainly from Chinese sources, gives but a one-sided view of a many-sided man.

Few men have known such vicissitudes as Genghis Khan, whose career Mr Lamb traces from the time when the poisoning of his father left him at thirteen a fugitive in the Gobi Desert, to the time when, having won for himself the largest dominion in the world, and having struck terror into the Emperors of China, Constantinople and Rome, the Khalif and the Pope, he held the great assembly of all his vassal kings and potentates and delivered to them the simple lesson of his life: "I have gained great mastery by virtue of the Yassa; live ye in obedience to the laws."

The laws in question were broad-minded and kindly, as is shown by such a precept as:

Get drunk only three times a month. It would be better not to get drunk at all. But who can abstain altogether?

FORGOTTEN POETESS

WAS SHE POISONED?

L. E. L. A mystery of the thirties.
By D. E. Enfield. (Hogarth Press, 10s. 6d.)

Letitia Elizabeth Landon, the subject of this biography, though now forgotten, was a popular poetess of a century ago. She was the friend of many of the notabilities of her day, and there was some surprise when she married George Maclean, Governor of the Gold Coast, and in 1838 left England to share his life at Cape Coast Castle.

The biographer gives a most unflattering account of him, declaring among other things, that he drank. If he drank he must have had a charmed life, for he spent 21 years in a climate which was then accounted pestilential, and displayed such vigour and capacity that he is regarded to this day as one of the ablest governors the country has ever had.

Shortly after her arrival at Cape Coast Castle, she was found dead in her dressing room, early in the morning, and it was said that a bottle of dilute prussic acid (which she was in the habit of taking in small doses as a remedy for spasms) was in her hand. The presumption at the time was that she had taken an overdose.

Malicious voices accused her husband Maclean, of poisoning her and this biography gives a certain countenance to the charge by complaining that "he allowed his wife, who had admittedly met a violent and mysterious end, to be buried within 12 hours of her death and without a post mortem." The author might have recollected that a swift burial is a necessity of that sweltering heat and that the doctor who examined the body and testified at the inquest regarded a post mortem as quite unnecessary. The book is fancifully written and the historic present (which is not an English idiom) is freely used. It should surely have been stated that two of Mrs. Maclean's most intimate friends on the Gold Coast "had absolutely no doubt that her death was accidental and indignantly repudiated the charges made against Maclean."

LITERARY ROMANCE

HAWTHORNDEN-PRIZE AWARD.

"TARKA, THE OTTER."

The Hawthornden Prize for Literature for 1927 has been awarded to Mr. Henry Williamson for his book, "Tarka, the Otter."

The prize, instituted in 1919 by Miss Alice Warrender, is awarded annually for a work of imagination by a British author whose age does not exceed 41. Its value is £100.

In conversation with a representative of "The Daily Telegraph" recently, Mr. Williamson, who is just over 30 years of age, told how he left London in 1921 with no money or prospects. "I rented a cottage in a Devon village at £5 a year," he said, "and lived, there for five years writing and hoping. I slept out at nights studying the habits of the animals. For most of the time I ranged up and down between the two rivers Tor and Tordridge."

Speaking of "Tarka, the Otter," Mr. Williamson said he had rewritten the book seventeen times, and in its final form every stick, stone, and tree in the book could actually be traced in the Devon country. His first book, "Beautiful Years," was published in 1921. "It was one of the world's worst sellers," he humorously commented. Since then he has written "Sun Brothers," "The Old Stag," both animal studies, and later "Pathway," the story of a soldier injured in the war who revolts against the whole set of ideals which he holds caused the great upheaval.

"My great ambition," he added, "is to write the story of the war from the human point of view, which will be the story of every man who was in the war."

Mr. John Galsworthy, in presenting the prize at the Eolian Hall, New Bond-street, recently, described "Tarka, the Otter," as a truly remarkable creation. It was the result of stupendous imaginative concentration, fortified by endless patient and loving observation of Nature. Henry Williamson had received as yet infinitely less credit as a writer than he deserved. He was the finest and most intimate living interpreter of the drama of wild life, and he was, at his best, a beautiful writer.

THE COMPLACENCY OF MAN.

"I always think," continued Mr. Galsworthy, "that the human being has got an altogether too complacent notion of his position in the scheme of things; that man first, second, and third, beast, bird, and fish left at the post, does not adequately describe the scheme of creation. And I welcome with very heartfelt gratitude the existence of any talent which will make any sort of hole in our urban, not to say suburban, satisfaction with human superiority."

"If you think of it, when we are interested in beasts and birds and their natural surroundings, it's almost always not for ourselves and their good, but for ourselves and our good. We're interested in them commercially; we like to make money out of their feathers or their skins; or aesthetically; we like to wear them in our hats or round our necks; or as sportsmen we're terribly fond of some creatures in order to do other creatures in; or as collectors we love to look upon their stuffed, or pinned, or bottled beauty; or as cooks we dote on their flavours, and do our best to destroy them with sauces; or as musicians, we like to hear them singing on the Radio; or as race-goers, we like them to win at 33 to 1—when we've backed them; or as scientists and valetudinarians, we appreciate them as animals with extremely healthy glands which we can appropriate to ourselves."

"Not many of us, I think, delight in them as creatures with a love of life as strong as or perhaps stronger than our own; certainly in the mass more beautiful than ourselves—I went to the Derby the other day—and still living in a world of ungratified Nature which goes back to a time when Man was not. When a man or woman succeeds in watching wild life just for the pleasure of watching it, and without any thought of the benefit it may bring, he or she has gone far towards that forgetfulness of self which many people regard as a sign of mania, but which is really the keystone of happiness. That being so, when a writer can bring to us some true and thrilling sense of the strange, vivid, and separate importance of beasts, birds, and plants, shall we not be grateful and do him honour?"

SECRETS OF HEALTH

WE MUST HAVE SUNLIGHT.

[By Sir W. Arbuthot Lane, Bart., C.B.]

Baron Larrey, in his Memoirs of the Russian Campaign, was much impressed by the fact that those soldiers who were recruited from the nations of the South of Europe bore the cold and hardships of those terrible marches very much better, and with far less complaint, than did those who came from the northern countries.

We are only commencing to realise the great part that sunshine plays in the health of individuals, and, indeed, of entire nations, affecting them physically and morally. It gives to the life of the Southerner that joie de vivre which is singularly inconspicuous with us.

The New Health Society is working in association with the mining magnates to bring sunshine to the bravest and most industrious class in the community. Those rays of health, in the ordinary way, are accessible only to the rich who are able to travel. Even they only avail themselves to a small extent of the advantages sunshine offers. While the Southerner will expose his body to the sun for hours at a time, the Englishman wears a big hat and carries an umbrella.

When those whose lives are spent in gloomy rooms realise the enormous gain they can derive from artificial sunlight they will insist on lamps being installed in suitable places where they will be readily accessible to the many.

Ultra-violet rays are much more necessary to health and to the enjoyment of life than are baths, and the example set by the New Health Society and others in the mining community will now spread to every class of worker, who will insist on having what is an inestimable benefit. It is cheap and can be employed with perfect safety. Any expenditure on this will repay huge dividends in health.

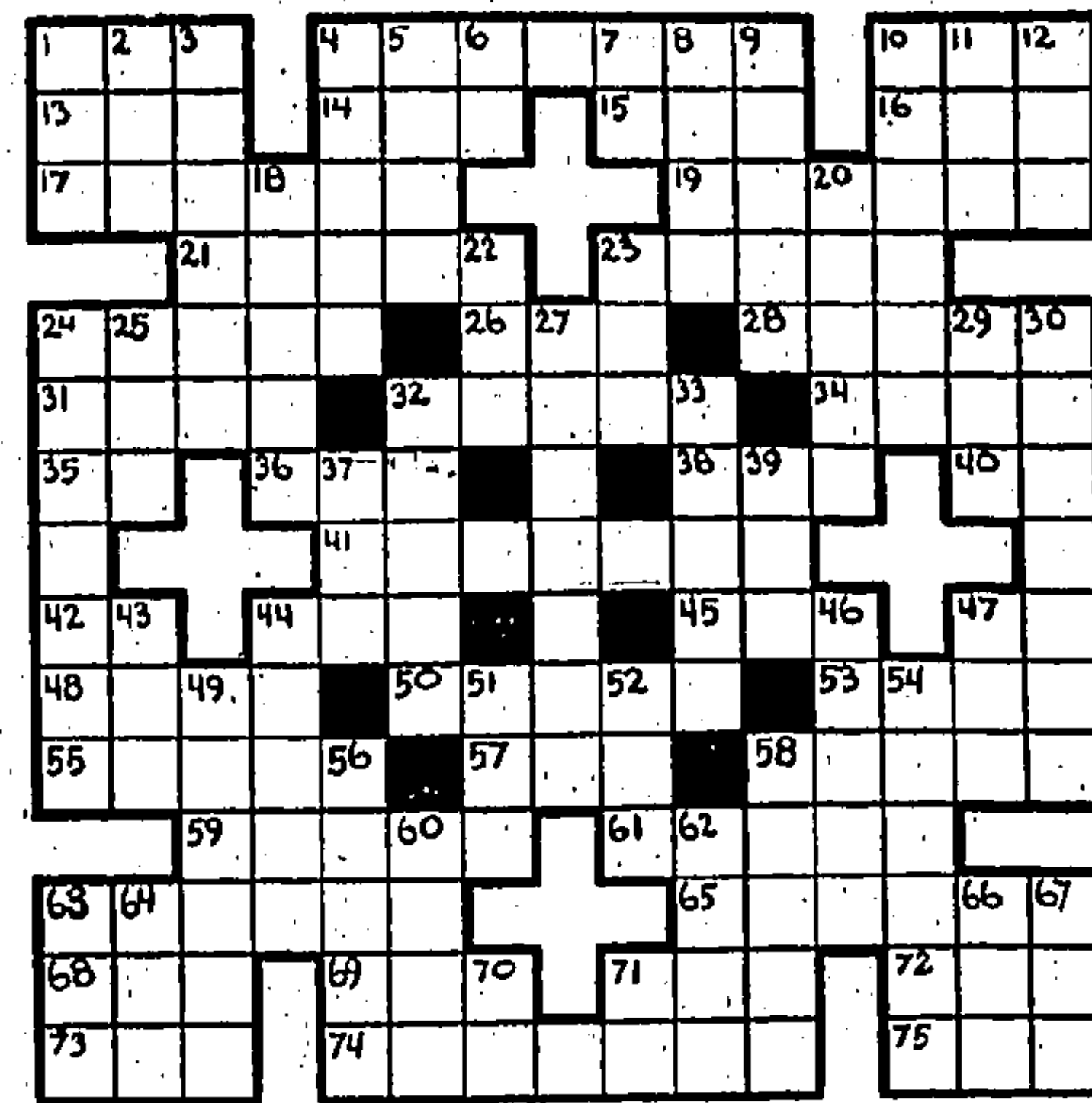
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL
1-A coal-scuttle
4-A native of China
10-Turf
13-Exile
14-Head covering
15-To put on, as a garment
16-Certified Public Accountant (abbr.)
17-Plaited grass
19-A thin slice of meat
21-Weeds
23-Combining form. Straight
24-The spectrum
26-To love (Latin)
28-Jobs
31-A girl's name
32-Attached
34-To make a note of
35-Before noon (Latin-abbrev.)
36-Permit
38-Suffix. Pertaining to
40-Negative
41-Entire cordage system of a vessel
42-Like
44-Adult males
45-A small barrel
47-Pronoun
48-The mother of the gods
50-Chief justice of the U. S. 1836
53-Wing-shaped

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)
55-To entice into danger
57-Bachelor of
58-To glaze
59-Obsolete spelling of "graze"
61-Imports
62-To improve the quality
65-A European country
68-Consums
69-A garden tool
71-Expire
72-To mislead
73-Sheltered side
74-Developed teeth
75-Ennate

VERTICAL
1-Owns
2-Raw metal
3-In heraldry, a notch
4-Twister
5-Dates
6-Pronoun
7-Editor (abbr.)
8-Touchy
9-Perform
10-A rock which splits easily
11-To open (poetol)
12-Woman's patriotic society (abbr.)
13-Pertaining to the nose
20-Director
22-Rested

VERTICAL (Cont.)
23-Legendary bird
24-A poster
25-An alcoholic liquor
27-A game of dominoes
28-S. central State (abbr.)
30-Devotees of the weed
32-Task
33-Tightly curled
37-Before
38-Ere
43-Pronoun
44-A native of New Zealand
46-Irritates
47-Existed
48-A card game
51-Familiar name war president
52-Combining form meaning "outside"
54-A volcano in California
56-A pleasure vessel
58-Adhered
60-A covering for the foot
62-A Great Lake
63-A long fish
64-No (Scott.)
66-Wrath
67-Skill
70-Electrical
71-Dead-head (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in Monday's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

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WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on July 1, 1928.—
CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Tyatam	1' 10" B	4' 6" B
Tyatam Byewash	8' 9" B	6' 10" B
Tyatam Intermediate	L	L
Tyatam Tuk	L	L
Wong Nei Chung	7' 3" B	13' 10" B
Pokfulum	9' 11" B	14' 10" B

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow"; A. denotes "Above Overflow"; L. denotes "Level with Overflow."]
Storage in millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Tyatam	369.40	347.32
Tyatam Byewash	11.19	13.33
Tyatam Intermediate	195.80	195.80
Tyatam Tuk	1,419.00	1,419.00
Wong Nei Chung	21.08	14.84
Pokfulum	44.48	34.34

Total

	1927	1928
Consumption	303.33	310.22
Estimated population	412,780	423,100
Consumption per head	244	244

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KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	369.40	347.32
Shek Lai Pul Reservoir	2' 7" B	Do.
Reception Reservoir	0' 11" B	Do.

Storage of millions and Decimals of gallons.

	1927	1928
Kowloon Reservoir	369.40	347.32
Shek Lai Pul Reservoir	90.45	116.10
Reception Reservoir	—	30.73

Total

	1927	1928
Consumption	37.93	106.12
Estimated population	160,650	165,700
Consumption per head	20.3	21.3

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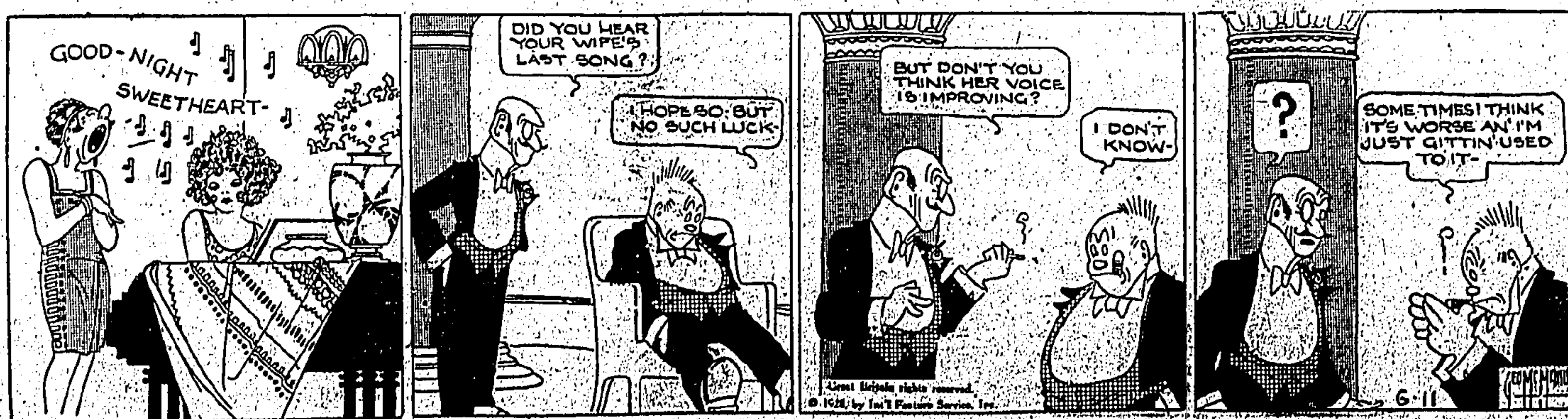
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SUPERSTITIONS.

BY CHARLES R. COCHRAN,
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LUCKY OR UNLUCKY.

They say in the theatre that a play with the word "golden" in its title is bound to be unlucky. For my own part, I am beginning to think that the name "Rome" must be an unfortunate choice.

Twice in my life I have been connected with the production of "Rome" plays. Eight years ago there was "One Night in Rome," with Miss Laurette Taylor, at the Garrick Theatre. On the first night someone threw a bomb from the gallery. Now I have just had a hand in the London presentation of "The Road to Rome," which has been taken off after a sixteen days' run—the shortest run with which I have ever been managerially connected.

Yes, I am becoming a little bit superstitious about "Rome." But to be quite serious, I have no hard-and-fast stage superstitions; I would humour an artist or an author in any reasonable way about such things, but I certainly would not allow superstition to get in the way of business as a manager.

As a matter of fact, too, the young people of the theatre are becoming less and less superstitious; and although you may get a girl not wanting to wear green or anything with peacock's feathers in a part, there is decidedly less stage superstition rife than there was.

Mr. Harry Grattan, the revue writer, and Chaliapine are two people whom I have come across professionally who do—or, at any rate, did—live up to superstitions. Mr. Grattan did several of my early revues, and he always point blank refused to allow the tag line—the last line of the piece, that is—to be spoken till the end of the opening performance. As a matter of fact, he would never let anyone know what the final words were. During the first performance he would produce them on a bit of paper, which he handed to whoever had to say the words, and they were said unrehearsed. This "tag" superstition is a very old theatrical one, but nowadays it is not conformed to generally—every word of most plays is rehearsed in production.

The black cat superstition obtains the "wrong way round" with Chaliapine. The Albert Hall black cat (it is not perpetually the same identical cat, of course, but it comes of one family of cats) is famous with artists who appear there, and consequently I was very much taken aback when Albert Coates, the musical conductor, once warned me, "For goodness' sake don't let Chaliapine see that cat; he will walk straight out of the place if you do."

"But black cats are lucky," I said.

"In Russia they are terribly unlucky," Mr. Coates explained. The still persistent idea that it is unlucky to start a new play on a Friday I am definitely against. Indeed, I consider that Friday is almost the best opening night in the week. A play's second night is generally apt to be a bad one, but if you begin on a Friday you get your second performance on Saturday, when there is almost certain to be a good audience.

For practical purposes this is good for the play and the players, who are probably suffering from the reaction of their first night; from a cynical point of view your second night falling on a Saturday gives you at least one pretty full house, however bad your play may be!



Prince Leopold and Princess Astrid, being cheered by the population of Liege, Belgium, when they attended a festival held in that city. Liege was the first Belgian town to suffer from the German invasion in 1914.

"Macbeth," for some mysterious reason, is generally looked upon as being an "unlucky play," which is no doubt the reason why quotations from it are sternly discouraged in theatres. It is supposed to be a terrible thing for anyone to say a line from "Macbeth" on a first night.

WHISTLING.

Whistling in a dressing room is regarded as another form of stage crime, calculated to bring down misfortune upon the inmates of the room, if not upon the whole play. The "antidote" to whistling in a dressing room is for the offender to go outside at once and turn round three times.

To crack or break a looking glass is held to be sure and certain bad luck, but to break a tumbler—by accident, of course—is thought to be a most fortunate thing to do. An umbrella, that true and trusted friend to so many old-time comedians, must never on any account be opened on the stage.

I am very fond of the circus, but I am forced to admit that there are some grounds for the common belief that plays about the circus, however good they may be, will have no luck about them. There have been a number of instances of such plays failing to attract audiences.

Most actors and actresses like to get telegrams and messages wishing them "good luck" on the first night of a play in which they are acting. But I have had at least one star under my management who did not—Alice Delysia, I mean.

She is French, and it seems that in France to wish an artist "good luck" before a first performance is considered to be an unlucky thing to do. So those who know this fact about Delysia never wish her "good luck" (at least, not in these words) on her first nights.

Two bulls being taken to the Liverpool abattoir escaped and knocked down many people in the streets, one animal being at large for nearly an hour.

Bermondsey Borough Council is to be recommended to take up a loan of £58,053 to erect new municipal offices on the site of the old Spa-road baths.



Berlin, Germany.—The use of rockets of special construction to provide the motive power for an automobile has been successfully demonstrated by Fritz von Opel, the inventor. The car looks like a racing auto, but is equipped with miniature airplane wings which extend from the sides. The car in its initial demonstration attained a speed of 100 kilometers an hour within two seconds of the start and finally reached 230—about 150 miles an hour. Lower photo shows the rear end of the car showing the tubes from which the rockets are discharged.

IN A DESERT.

EXPEDITION WITH TRACTORS AND WIRELESS.

An expedition into the Kalahari, the vast desert between the Orange and Zambesi rivers, Bechuanaland, is to be undertaken by Dr. C. E. Cadle, Colorado Museum of Natural History, Professor R. L. Mammen, Texas University and the Whittle Museum, and Mr. W. J. Cameron.

They landed, wearing tropical suits, at Southampton from the White Star liner "Majestic" and leave for Capetown. Dr. Cadle told a "Daily Mail" reporter:

We are going to Africa because the cradle of the human race is to be found there if anywhere.

There is no doubt that the Bushmen who now exist only in the Kalahari desert are descendants of the race which formerly inhabited Africa. We know very little of these people, but it is apparent that while they seem to have Negro in them their features are those of the Mongolian race.

We have sent from the United States two two-ton tractors which will have a cruising radius of 1,000 miles into the desert. We shall take a full wireless set with us so as to keep in touch with civilisation.

We hope to startle the world within the next two or three years.

DONNA MYRIAN.

ROME GOVERNOR'S DAUGHTER AT COURT.

The fifth and last Court of the season was held at Buckingham Palace on June 11.

The Queen was in a magnificent dress of topaz and gold lame trimmed with topaz and crystal embroidery. She wore a train of green and gold, Indian kincob brocade, lined with pale gold tissue, an emerald and diamond tiara, and ornaments of emeralds, including the famous Indian carved emerald, and the Order of the Garter.

The King wore the uniform of Colonel-in-Chief of the Irish Guards. With him were the Duke of Gloucester in Hussars uniform and Prince George in naval uniform.

One of the most interesting presentations was that of Donna Myrian Potenzi, daughter of the Governor of Rome, who is visiting London as the guest of the City Corporation. She wore a picture dress of white satin and a train of silver tissue.

THE FROTHBLOWERS

"A DYING FORCE."

At the Primitive Methodist Conference, at Southport, the Rev. Sam Rowley, secretary of the temperance department, had a tilt at the Frothblowers. "Knowing what I do," he said, "I do not hesitate to say publicly that the Frothblowers' movement at this date is a dying force. It has become a limited company since our last conference. It is limited in many ways." In India and Africa good work had been done against the Frothblowers.

During a debate on the Sunday School Union it was stated that in three years the union had lost 20,000 scholars. The report pointed out that during last year there had been a decrease of ten schools and 334 teachers. The year's decrease of female scholars was 6,450. More than one half of the schools had no classes of any sort for junior membership, and 2,000 schools had no scholars in church membership at all.

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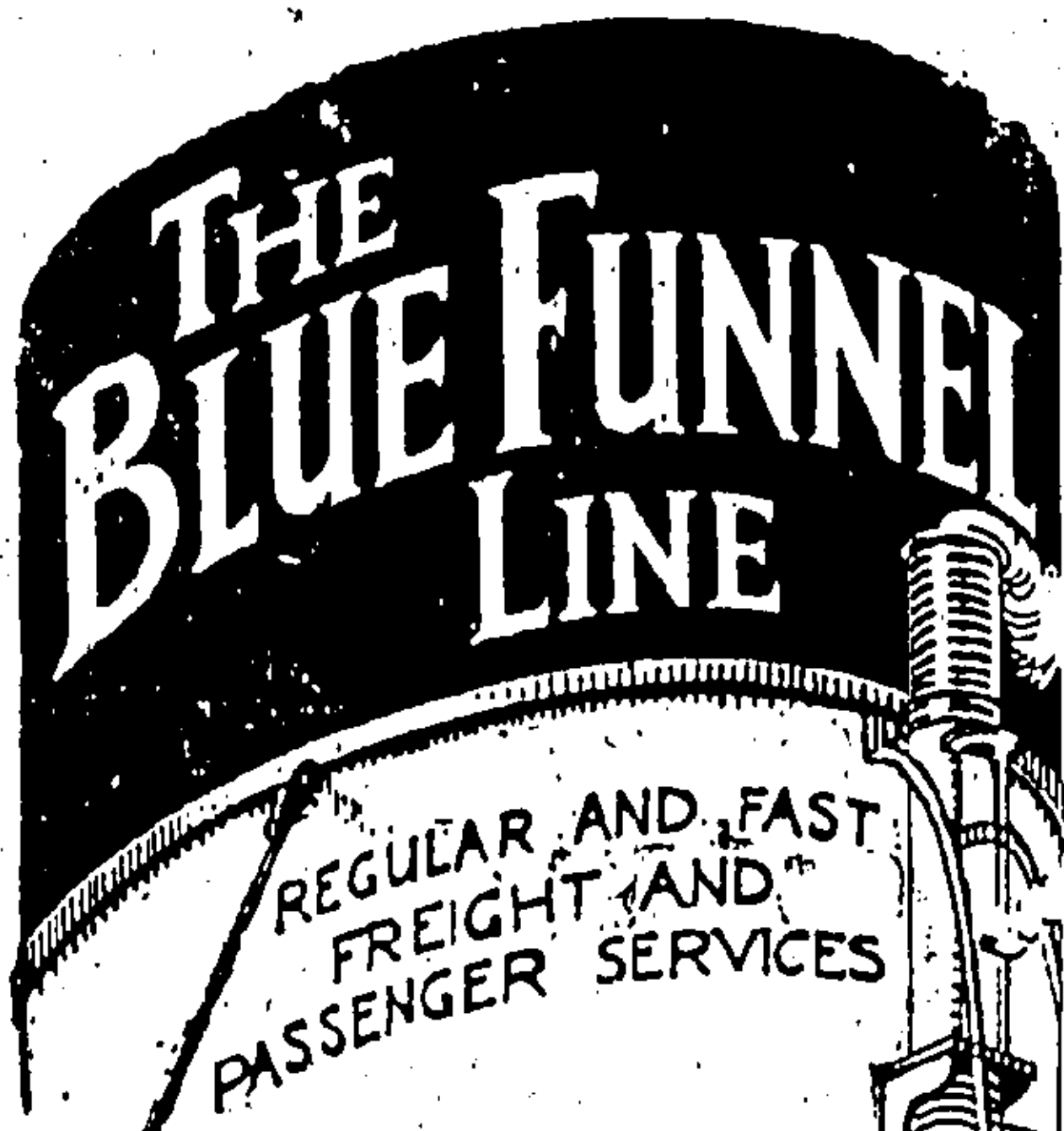
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Manila	President Grant
Shanghai and Amoy	Linan
TUESDAY, JULY 24.	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Dardanus
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MONDAY, JULY 30.	
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For	Per
SATURDAY, JULY 21.	
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Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Kishu Maru 9 a.m.
MONDAY, JULY 23.	
Japan	Alipore 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Hakone Maru 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea 2.30 p.m.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia.	
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RESULT OF BRITAIN'S AIR RACE.

OFFICER WINS.

ONLY WOMAN COMPETITOR MAKES PLUCKY EFFORT.

1,000 MILES HANDICAP.

London, Yesterday.

The competitors in the 1,000 miles' handicap air race round Britain for the King's Cup completed the first stage to-day at Renfrew Aerodrome, a distance of 540 miles. Miss Spooner, the only woman competitor, who flew a Moth machine, made a great bid for victory. Starting third from Hendon she was second to arrive at Norwich and was first at Birmingham. She was still leading at Leeds, but afterwards lost her advantage.

The first to arrive at Renfrew was Flying Officer Atcherley in a Gloster Grebe, his time being 5 hrs. 9 mins. 25 secs.

Miss Spooner was tenth in 5 hrs. 47 mins. 54 secs.—British Wireless Service.

Thirty-Seven Competitors.

London, Yesterday.

Thirty-seven aeroplanes of all sizes and horse-power lined up at Hendon for the King's Cup Handicap Race, the greatest civil air event of the year. This year the R.A.F. also are competing, and there is one lady competitor piloting a "Moth." An autogiro is competing for the first time.

This cross country race lasts two days, and the total distance on the first day is 541 miles over a devious course to Glasgow.—Reuter.

ANTI-WAR PACT.

LONDON PRESS COMMENT.

London, Yesterday.

That the acceptance by British countries of the anti-war proposals marks the definite conclusion of negotiations and heralds an early rush for the turnstiles is the conviction of the London press. It is considered that it only remains for Mr. Kellogg to name the date and place of signature, after which America will be bound in a moral partnership which to some extent will compensate her for non-membership of the League of Nations. On all sides tributes are paid to Mr. Kellogg's initiative.

The "Daily Telegraph" considers that Mr. Kellogg's previous silence upon the subject of "certain regions" implies consent for the United States claims in its own quarter of the world a special position which is not widely dissimilar from the British claims in Egypt and the Suez Canal.

The "Times" considers that the treaty marks a notable extension of the area wherein war is highly improbable, while the "Daily News" points out that significance of the episode is the strength of the world-wide will for peace. The Pact is one step on the long road, says the "Daily Chronicle," and should hearten the nations to take the next step—the reduction of armaments.

The "Morning Post" considers that all who find comfort in words and formulas will derive considerable satisfaction from the treaty, which is likely to be adopted, while the "Daily Herald" says that Sir Austen Chamberlain's conditions make the treaty futile and valueless.

Mr. Kellogg Going to Paris.

According to the New York newspapers, the anti-war pact will be signed in August. Mr. Kellogg, who is well pleased at the replies received from all over the world, will sail for Paris about the middle of August.—Reuter.

Japan's Reply.

Tokyo, Yesterday.

It is officially intimated that Japan's reply to the American anti-war proposal, which is expected to be handed to Mr. MacVeagh (U.S. Ambassador) this evening or tomorrow, will be worded very similarly to the British reply and will contain no reservations.—Reuter.

The s.s. "Kochow" which foundered off the Wangmooon Bar, went yesterday into Kwong Fook Cheong shipyard for overhaul. The cost of the overhaul, says a Chinese report, will be \$20,000 and the work will be completed within a month's time.

"PEACE IN INDUSTRY" VOTE.

AT LLANDUDNO.

MINERS OVERWHELMINGLY IN FAVOUR.

BLOW TO THE "REDS."

London, Yesterday.

The Miners' Conference at Llandudno, by 309,000 votes to 192,000 defeated a resolution condemning the "peace in industry" discussions between the Labour Council and a group of employers.—Reuter.

CAUSE OF CANCER.

DOCTORS STILL GROPING IN DARKNESS.

DIVERGENT VIEWS.

London, Yesterday.

The proceedings of the Cancer Conference, while providing the frankest exchange of viewpoints, has hitherto served to emphasise the darkness in which earnest researches are still groping.

The delegates have joined issue as regards both the cause and cure of the disease, an example of the former being the statement of the American Doctor Murphy, contending the growing view that cancer was due to a virus.

Yesterday's discussion centred on the efficacy of the lead treatment. On the one hand delegates related marvellous cures, while others declared that lead treatment yielded no results or that patients actually grew worse under it.

Sir Thomas Horder, who is presiding, summed up that it was doubtful whether the treatment had reached a stage where it had become a practical therapeutic measure in all cases.—Reuter.

GRAVE OUTLOOK.

THREAT TO 500,000 COTTON OPERATIVES.

A LOCK-OUT?

London, Yesterday.

A grave decision threatening the lockout of half a million cotton operatives in Lancashire has been taken by the special committee of the Federation of Master Spinners' Association at Manchester. The Committee met to consider the strike of spinners at Ramsey Mill, Oldham, over a workman's refusal to join the trade-union, and decided to recommend to an extraordinary general meeting on July 27 that all the Federation mills be closed at noon on August 11 and to remain closed until the Ramsey Mill strikers resume.

The lockout would affect about 120,000 operatives in the American section, 80,000 in the Egyptian section and 300,000 weavers.—Reuter.

LINER DISABLED.

"CITY OF YOKOHAMA" ASKS FOR AID.

ENGINE TROUBLE.

Colombo, Yesterday.

The City liner, "City of Yokohama," from Australia has sent a wireless message from a point 1,150 miles south of Colombo, stating that she is disabled and wants assistance. The local agents will probably send a ship to the liner, which is believed to have experienced engine trouble.—Reuter.

MAIL THEFT.

SEQUEL TO THE THEFT ON S.S. "LEVIATHAN."

New York, Yesterday.

Charged with the theft of registered mail, valued at \$1,200 from the s.s. "Leviathan," Archibald Chapman, assistant linen-keeper on the "Leviathan" was released on bail.—Reuter.

DAME ELLEN TERRY.

IN AN UNCONSCIOUS CONDITION.

London, Yesterday.

Dame Ellen Terry, who has been unconscious since Tuesday, is reported to be sinking.—Reuter.

A woman residing at No. 95, Ching Yuen-lane, Wanchai, reports that a mut. tea, aged 19, went out shopping on Wednesday morning and failed to return. At the same time \$35 disappeared from the house.

OSCAR SLATER WINS HIS APPEAL.

A LONG STRUGGLE.

SERVED 18 YEARS IN PRISON.

"SHERLOCK'S" VICTORY.

London, Yesterday.

Oscar Slater who nearly twenty years ago was sentenced for the murder of Miss Gilchrist, in Glasgow, and who served over 18 years imprisonment won his appeal against the sentence in the Court of Criminal Appeal at Edinburgh to-day.

Thus ends dramatically the agitation in Slater's favour which has been going on for years and in which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, the well-known criminologist, has played a leading part.

Lord Clyde, President of the High Court of Justiciary at Edinburgh, delivering the judgment of the Appeal Court, said the case was undoubtedly one of great difficulty. Of those principally concerned in the original trial, whether as witnesses or in preparing the case, few now survived. Even the judge, who presided, died nine years ago. Proofs of the identity of Slater adduced at the original trial had been exposed to formidable criticism in the course of the Appeal, but the difficulties of proving identity had been fairly put before the jury at the original trial by counsel on both sides and their importance had been impressed upon the jury by the judge. Under these circumstances the Appeal Court was unable to hold that the jury's verdict was either unreasonable or unsupported by evidence. But the Court of Appeal held that there had been a misdirection of the jury by the judge, who had told the jury what is familiarly known as presumption of innocence in criminal cases applied to Slater with less effect, in view of his ambiguous character. Presumption of innocence was fundamental to the whole system of British criminal prosecution and it was a radical error of the judge to have suggested that Slater did not have the same benefit of it as any other accused person.

The Appeal Court therefore decided that the conviction must be set aside on the ground of this misdirection in law.—British Wireless Service.

THE COLLISION.

DAMAGE TO "DELTA" AND "CITY OF KHIOS."

Lisbon, Yesterday.

The s.s. "Delta" entered the Tagus under her own steam. She encountered a small leak and minor damage.

The "City of Khios" bows were stove in, and she had to be towed in.—Reuter.

TOURING IN TURKEY.

ENGLISH MOVE FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT.

Constantinople.—The Turkish Foreign Ministry has undertaken an examination into the obstacles to the development of touring in Turkey. The initiative came from English touring agencies, who approached Ferid Bey, the Turkish Ambassador in London, and laid the present situation before him.

According to the figures before the Foreign Ministry, Turkish pilotage, lighthouse, sanitary, and anchorage dues for tourist vessels arriving in Constantinople greatly exceed the same dues in Italy and Greece. A tourist vessel of 180,000 tons, which at Naples pays dues amounting to £48 and at the Piræus dues amounting to £12, has to pay £201 on arriving here.

A considerable increase of tourists visiting Constantinople is, nevertheless, occurring yearly. Since January of this year 18,000 tourists have landed here in organised groups, American and English, besides Rumanian and Bulgarian.

The new facilities which it is hoped the Foreign Ministry will afford may soon leave this number far behind.

"CITY OF TOKIO."

Shanghai, Yesterday.
The "City of Tokio" was refitted this morning.—Reuter.

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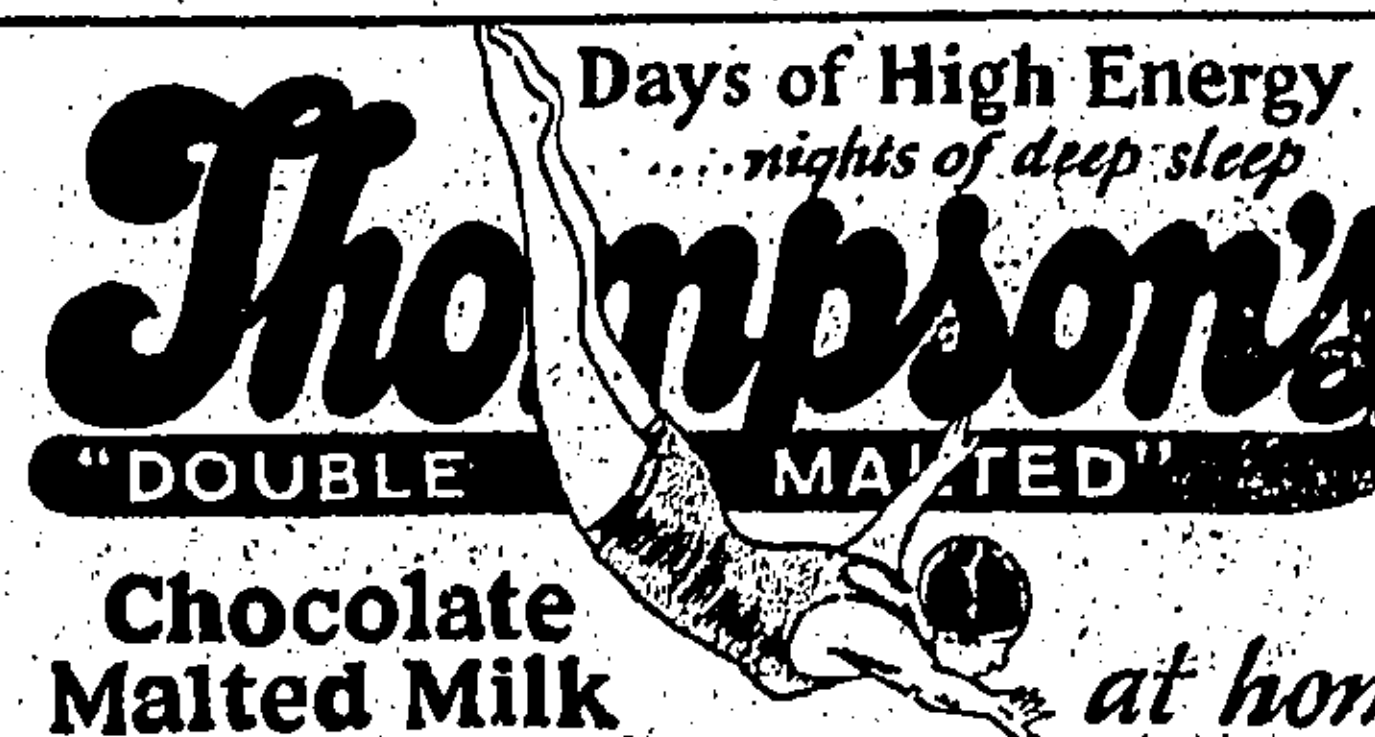
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